

WEATHER FORECASTS
Victoria and Vicinity—Light to moderate northwesterly winds; continued fine; stationary or higher temperatures.
Vancouver and Vicinity—Light to moderate winds; continued fine.

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Six Arrests Made In Connection With Nanaimo Robbery

Former Seattle Policemen and Four Other Americans Held in Sound City for Extradition on Charge of Looting Up-Island Branch of Royal Bank of Canada of \$40,000

SHERIFF AND WITNESSES LEAVING FOR SOUND CITY

NANAIMO, B. C., Dec. 22.—Chief of Police J. Shirass, of the city force, is leaving here tomorrow morning for Seattle with six witnesses of the holdup of the local branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, who will endeavor to identify the men now held in custody there on a charge of robbing the bank on December 12 of \$40,000.

SEATTLE, Dec. 22.—Ross C. Watson, former Seattle police detective, who was accused with participating in a \$22,000 department store robbery here last summer; Clarence H. (Dick) Shively, former Seattle patrolman; and four other men were arrested today on Canadian extradition warrants as suspects in the \$40,000 robbery at Nanaimo.

Clarence H. (Dick) Shively, the former patrolman of this city, was arrested in Montesano, together with another of the alleged robbers whose name was not given, but who is said to be Shively's boatman in reputed liquor-running ventures.

The others, Wm. Bagley, alleged to be the leader of the bandits, and R. C. James, were apprehended in Tacoma. Three more of the supposed desperado band, whose names are withheld, were being sought tonight.

The arrests are the result of the work of the Seattle police in the search for the robbers, of Inspector Forbes Crukshank, of the British Columbia Provincial police, and Deputy Prosecutors Bert C. Ross and T. H. Pattersons of this city, acting as special prosecutors for the Province, assisted by Captain of Detectives Stickland, Tacoma, and Captain of Detectives Charles Tennant and Sheriff Starwick, Seattle.

According to the officers, the alleged bandits have been traced to and from the bank, and all of their movements carefully checked for some time as well before as after the robbery.

The robbers escaped in an automobile located in Victoria, and which the officers are now holding. It was found abandoned on the beach at Goat Harbor, 15 miles south of Nanaimo.

Two Boats Used
One or two boats were used. It is said, after the men left the car. One of these, according to the officers, is Shively's new 30-hp. 50-foot speedboat, which the bandits are reported to have fled to point near Wildcat Cove, near Bellingham.

From that point, it is said, they used a light Ford truck and heavy touring car to transport themselves and their \$40,000 in Canadian currency south through Skagit and Snohomish counties, through Seattle and Tacoma.

Bagley, the officers say, has been involved in other bank robberies, and is accredited with being one of the directors in the Nanaimo hold-up. He is declared to be the robber described by bank employees as six feet tall, weighing 200 pounds, of sandy complexion, having a number of scars on his face, and polite during the robbery as to excite the admiration of all his victims.

He is said to have directed the other robbers.

DECLARER COMPANY MUST PAY SPECIALS

COLLIERY LIABLE FOR COST OF
STRIKE PROTECTION

Important Judgment Handed Down
by Law Lords in Connection
With Welsh Labor Troubles

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An important judgment concerning the payment for services rendered by the police during an industrial dispute has been handed down by the House of Lords. The miners of Colliery of Glamorgan had sought a decree in law that the police protection for tinsbrook brothers of Swansea, Wales, in the coal strike of 1921. The colliery company, however, asserted that the police who attended in special bodies at the request of the miners had been in the strike of miners carrying out their judicial obligations. The late Justice Balliol Bacharach ruled that the colliery company was liable for the amount claimed.

In their judgment the House of Lords supported the judgment of Mr. Justice Balliol Bacharach, and ruled that the colliery company was liable to pay the miners £10,000. The miners' appeal of Appeal who heard the case, three favored the decision of the lower court and two were for its rejection.

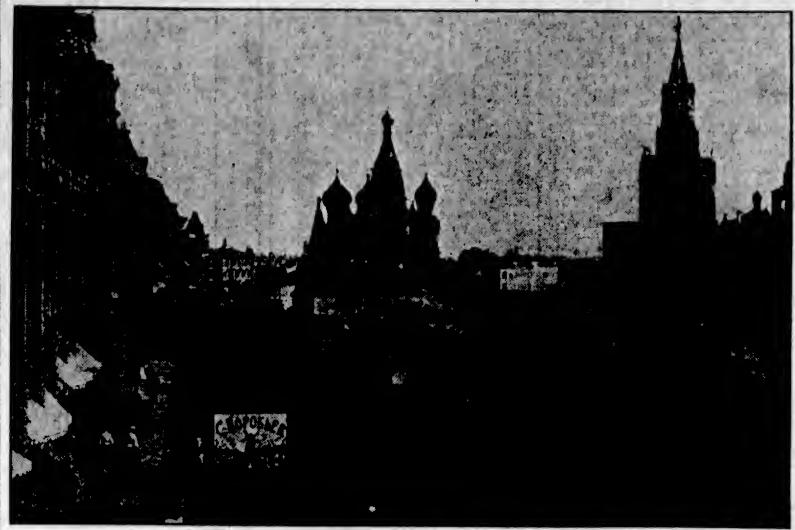
More Elasticity Is Likely in Dealing With Immigrants

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—That more elasticity in the present immigration restrictions regarding refugee immigrants from northern Europe will shortly be in effect, as part of the Government's vigorous programme for 1925, was the statement made by the Minister of Immigration and Colonization. A new official policy having special reference to existing passport and family unit regulations will be adopted in cases of farmers and farm laborers whose entry into Canada is believed to be in the interests of land development in the Western provinces.

Pope Suffering From Light Form Of Influenza

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Pope Pius is suffering from a light form of influenza, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Rome.

Where Civil War Is Reported Now Raging



MOSCOW, SHOWING THE RED SQUARE

Meager reports from the Soviet capital indicate that strife bordering on civil war exists in Moscow today as a result of a controversy between Leon Trotsky, deposed chairman for war, and other members of the Russian administration. Alleged revolts in the Red army are said to have brought conditions in Russia to a more serious crisis than ever before in the turbulent life of Bolshevism.

ACTORS IN PERIL AS LAUNCH SINKS

Gunhild Strikes Seymour Narrows Rock in Hundred-Mile Gale and Theatrical Troupe Suffers Hardships

COATED IN ICE SUCCEED IN LANDING ON ISLAND

Aided by Indians of Church House, the Passengers Are Finally Brought to Vancouver by Steamer

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—On a rock close to "Hole in the Wall," near Seymour Narrows, on the coast of British Columbia, the steam launch Gunhild is resting in about ten feet of water and the members of the Pat Players, who had the ship chartered and were giving performances at the various coast settlements, arrived in port Sunday after nearly losing their lives in the gale.

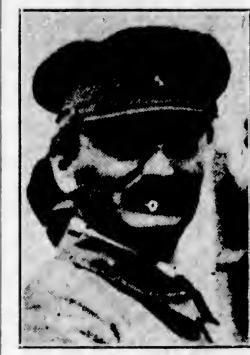
The three Henderson sisters and Nan Walker were the young women in the party, while Art Roberts, the comedian, Pat McCallum, manager, and George Brodeau were all members of the troupe that suffered a ten-hour battle for life with the gale blowing 100 miles and ice caked an inch thick all over their clothes.

Sailed October 1

The Gunhild left Vancouver with the party of actors and met bad weather, while calling at different points for entertainments as far north as Ocean Falls.

Coming back on December 15 they ran into a gale and the Gunhild was sidetracked into a cove for safety. Here, however, she struck a rock and was unable to take shelter. Sailors, including blinding, were got ashore, and the party had to keep warm as best they could until the Victoria tug Chieftain picked them up the next morning and carried them to Church House, where they were aided by the Indian residents. From this point the party caught the steamer Camosun into Vancouver.

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MR. LEON TROTZKY
Who is said to be leading the forces of insurrection in Russia.

DOMINION MEAT TO SUPPLANT FOREIGN

MAY HAVE FIRST CHANCE TO SUPPLY BRITAIN

Scheme Attributed to Mr. Baldwin's
Desire to Give the Empire
Products Preference

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A blow to foreign meat trusts is suggested by an announcement in the Evening News that the British Dominions will be given the first chance of supplying Great Britain's needs in meat. The plan says that the Dominions will have to import meat into this country under licence to the full extent of the difference between our consumption and our home-grown products. Only so far as our Dominions fail to supply the deficiency will foreign meat be allowed to enter this country.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An evening newspaper today gave currency to a report that the Baldwin Government, in its anxiety to promote the policy of Imperial preference, has decided upon a plan to discriminate against foreign meat in favor of supplies from the Dominions.

Report Preliminary

According to authoritative information, this report is at least premature. Doubtless, the plan proposed by A.

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GERMANY OPENS ARMS PROBLEM

Note to League Raises Whole
Question of Armaments, as
Well as Teutons Becoming
Members

MARSHAL FOCH ATTENDS ALLIED MILITARY PARLEY

War Committee Receives Re-
port as to Alleged Illegal
Arming, But No Statement
Is Issued

GENEVA, Dec. 22.—Opening up the whole problem of German armaments, Germany has sent a note to the League of Nations touching the question of Germany's joining the League. In the note the Berlin Government declares its view that if international conflicts arise, Germany should remain absolutely free under the League covenant to determine how far she would take an active part in such conflicts.

The text of the note, which is published by the League secretariat today, shows that Germany desires an exceptional position as a member of the League because of her lack of armed strength, though she denies any intention of asking for special treatment. Germany, it is said, if she should be admitted to participate in all of the large military associations, she "would be compelled to waive her right to neutrality—the last defense of disarmed people."

League's Note

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It is inevitable links the League question with the general problem of interallied control and future investigations of German armament, which may be taken up by the League, the nature of which the council now is endeavoring to define.

Streetsman's Note

Mr. Gustav Stresemann, the Foreign Minister, who penned the note given out tonight which for the second chapter of the negotiations.

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Father Christmas Might Like to Know About This

Secretaries of Veterans' Organizations Can Tell Some Rather Grim Stories of Homes That Thursday Will Bring No Comfort Unless Deputies of Santa Claus Inform Him of the Facts—The Cases of Privates R— and Y— and Some Others

OLD Father Christmas—he of the white beard and the red coat, and his aerial sleigh that aerial reindeer pull across the houses where children wait, counting the hours till Thursday morning—is coming to Victoria on the park lake at various times last week. Apart from the danger area, however, the surface is clear of snow to a depth of a mile and a half.

Sunday night the Marigold pond was completely a mammoth rink, where 500 people滑iced about in couples and curved about in eights, while the spotlights of a hundred cars gleamed upon them from the edge of the ice.

Beacon Hill has been another popular rendezvous. Hundreds have been trying its ice, which some have found thin. There went through the ice on the park lake at various times last week. Apart from the danger area, however, the surface is clear of snow to a depth of a mile and a half.

Sporting goods merchants have lined up with the plumbers and fuel men in approbation of cold weather. Sales of skates have been numerous and the Arctic open began. The biggest firms have had men working overtime every night, sharpening blades and fitting skates to shoes.

Lady Astor Recalls
Wartime Associations
With Canada's Wounded

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Lady Astor, M.P., today forwarded the following message to the Canadian Press:

"For four Christmases we had Canadians at Cliveden. We don't want another war, but we should like to get our Canadian soldiers and sailors back here again for Christmas."

The Unexpected Cases
All the veterans' organizations are giving Christmas entertainments of

one sort or another to the children. Christmas trees are to be given by the Army and Navy Veterans, the Veterans of France, the Great War Veterans' Association, and the Canadian Legion. There are to be other Christmas functions, too. Christmas hamper are packing, and orders on groceries, amusements, and efforts generally under way to see that no girl or boy whose father fought in France shall know the bitterness of want in the festive season.

But what these secretaries, in common with officers of many other public organizations, are experiencing is the same trouble that the most deserving cases grow out of men who were men whose pride and self-respect will not let them ask for help. News of some of these men and women has come to the soldier organizations by chance of one sort or another, sometimes by a most pathetic inadvertence, and this news is hereby passed on to the deputies of old Father Christmas.

There is the case of Private R—. For instance, the case of Private R— would not have come to the ears of Messrs. F. D. Cameron and Joseph Bloom, president and secre-

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Snagged Alien Caught

BUFFALO, Dec. 22.—Alleged to have snugged aliens into the United States for Canada, for a sum of \$50 a head, Douglas Finlayson of Port Erie, a brakeman employed by the Michigan Central Railway, is under arrest here. The aliens were brought in via the "freight car" route.

DUNDEE, Scotland, Dec. 22.—T. Jameson, a laborer, was elected to Parliament over the Liberal candidate, E. D. Simons. Johnson received 23,972 votes and Simons 18,234. The by-election was rendered necessary by the recent death of Edmund Dene Morel, the Labor member.

Labor Candidate Wins
In Dundee By-Election

Four years in the penitentiary on each of the seven charges of breaking and entering stores at Fort Langley and Whonnock, was the sentence imposed by Judge Howay this morning on Dominie Gabriel, a McMillan Island Indian. The sentence is to run concurrently. An additional six months was imposed on the charge of escaping from custody. James Fodell, accomplice of Dominie in three of the burglaries, was given two years in each, the sentences to run concurrently also.

Two Hundred Dead And Wounded in Battle in Albania

Anti-Government Forces Suffer Severely in Sunday Engagement on Mati Front, Say Advices Received in New York—Scutari Remains Quiet and in Hands of Regular Army

APPEAL FOR MOBILIZATION MEETS WITH ENTHUSIASM

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Anti-government forces in Albania lost two hundred wounded and dead in engagements yesterday on the Mati front, said a cablegram from the Albanian government received at the consulate here today.

"The Scutari front is tranquil with Scutari in our hands," said the message. "In Kosovo prefecture our counter-offensive continues with great success. The invading bands have occupied only a small portion of the Luma district."

"On the Mati front violent combats took place yesterday, and the invaders lost two hundred wounded and dead."

"Concentrations of Albanian troops on the Mati front are continuing. The appeal of the Government for a general mobilization is being met with great enthusiasm."

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The Jugo-Slav legation in Paris, on behalf of its government, has issued a categorical denial of charges brought against the legation in connection with the disorders in Albania. The note issued by the legation says that Jugo-Slavia has distinctly observed the principle of non-intervention in the internal affairs of Albania, the independence of which country Jugo-Slavia always has considered one of the essential guarantees for peace in the Balkans.

The note ascribes the present troubles in Albania to Bolshevik agitation and political struggle among the various parties, which, it says, exist through the country, and are not limited to the frontier.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Greek Government, in answer to a question from the British Minister regarding its attitude in view of the situation in Albania, has declared it will maintain strict neutrality, according to a special dispatch from Athens.

Frontiers Closed

BELGRADE, Dec. 22.—On account of the Albanian insurrection the Jugo-Slav Government decided to close the frontier. At the same time it has ordered the disarmament and internment of all persons from the belligerent camps crossing the frontier.

PREMIER TELLS OF
COMMUNIST MENACE

M. HERRIOT ISSUES STATEMENT
ON RECOVERING HEALTH

Informa Foreign Correspondents That
France Is Not at Gripes With
Revolutionists

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Premier Herriot, who has been ill for a number of days, received the Paris representatives of the foreign press this evening for the purpose of discussing the recent rumors regarding a possible communist uprising. He requested the correspondents to send out a statement, which reads in part:

"I ask you not to allow an idea that France is at grips with great social difficulties and menaced with imminent and grave trouble. You who live our life, know better than anyone else there is nothing to fear. The frontiers of hostilities, France has not ceased to work to heal her wounds. She lives in absolute calm; she has not known any violence."

"Assuredly there exists a Communist party in our country, as in many other countries, but it is far from increasing its forces—it sees them decreasing for the purpose of discrediting the recent rumors regarding a possible communist uprising. He requested the correspondents to send out a statement, which reads in part:

"Just how the accident occurred is not known. Deceased was engaged in lighting out pipes at 1370 Hillside Avenue when he received at noon yesterday when a quantity of oil which was used to make the pipes was suddenly exploded. The flaming fluid was thrown over the unfortunate man's clothing and he was enveloped in a sheet of flame. Evidently he became panic-stricken and crazed with the pain, for he left the scene of the explosion and ran nearly fifty yards to a clump of bushes. An instant will be held on Wednesday morning."

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This price will be reduced \$5.00 each day until sold.

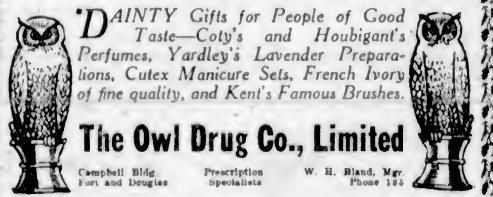
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MINISTER OBJECTS TO CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Cynical Pastor Says Juvenile Mentality Features Average Intelligence of Country

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—The working of crossword puzzles "is the mark of a childish mentality," Dr. D. L. Marsh, pastor of the Smithfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church, declared Sunday night in an address to his congregation on crossword puzzles.

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BLAMES PRESIDENT FOR HIDING FACTS

HOME BANK DIRECTOR SAYS BOARD KEPT IN IGNORANCE

News of Insolvency Came With Crash and Head Conceded to Keeping Information From Officials

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—Cross-examined by D. L. McCarthy, K.C., special Crown prosecutor, R. P. Gough, director of the Home Bank of Canada, who is on trial before Justice Court Judge Coatesworth, charged with making and concurring in false statements of the bank's affairs, testified this morning that the true condition of the institution's finances were not known to the bank directors before August 7, 1923, shortly before the suspension of the bank was announced.

Directors Shocked

During the course of the cross-examination much of the inside history of the bank was disclosed by Mr. Gough. He stated that at the meeting of the board in August, 1923, A. J. Calvert, at that time acting general manager, made a statement at the time declaring that the bank was hopelessly insolvent. The disclosure came as a shock to the directors, declared Mr. Gough. Witness testified that the late H. J. Daly, president of the bank, had tried to prevent Calvert from making that statement, but it was insisted upon.

Afterwards Mr. Daly stated that he had known the true condition of the bank for a year and a half and had kept it from the directors. Mr. Daly also stated that he accepted full responsibility.

Mr. Gough insisted under cross-examination that the accounts of the bank had been concealed from him. He did not think it his duty as a director to go through the branch reports and others. He had never seen a report from the Toronto branch and did not know that conditions were bad there. "I believed entirely on the information presented," said Mr. Gough.

TENANT SECURED FOR HOTEL SCRIBE

C.N.R. LEASES PARIS PROPERTY FOR LONG TERM

Contract is for Forty-Five Years, and Railroad Has Offices Free of Charge

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—It is stated in an official announcement made from the headquarters of the Canadian National Railways here that the Canadian National Railways has leased the Paris Hotel, located on St. Paul Street last year at the corner of the Rue Scribe and Boulevard des Capucines, in Paris, has been leased to a well-known hotel company, of which the manager is M. Ruhl, of Paris.

It is stated for forty-five years on the cost of the property, the hotel company paying the taxes on the property and also insurance.

In addition to this the lessor grants the Canadian National Railways free quarters for office purposes on the street floor.

Rental Value \$600,000

This arrangement is to continue during the life of the lease. The space to be occupied by the C. N. R. is estimated to have a rental value of \$600,000 for the period of the

tenancy.

"It is hard for the police to

guard them entirely; they must

learn to protect themselves."

THE NEW SHOW

Doorkeeper Bull: "The best of luck, sir. Hope you'll have a long and very successful run," —London Opinion.

leas, at the expiration of which the property and all improvements revert to the Canadian National.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—The Hotel Scribe was purchased in 1923 by the Canadian National Railways for the purpose of expanding the continental business of the company. The total cost was \$23,600, including cost of property, taxes, imposts and remuneration of tenancy, according to questions answered in the House of Commons last session by Hon. G. P. Graham, Minister of Railways. In 1923 the taxes on the property were \$10,939.

Since Roman times the belt has

been a mark of military distinction.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—In connection with the disputed amendment issued of invitations to the British Dominions to send representatives to London for a conference on the Geneva protocol, The Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent throws an interesting light on the origin of the Japanese amendment whereby intervention by the League of Nations in international disputes, particularly in legislative legislation would be permissible. The correspondent says that the idea of such intervention was first conceived in the demand for the pooling of natural resources by these countries possessed them for the benefit of others less fortunate, which would mean that certain countries would have to sell a portion of their production to certain others.

It was during the proceedings of

Oddities in the News

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Other Pajamas, \$2.50 to \$13.50

Golf Hose, \$2.25 to \$8.00

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the arbitration committee of the General Assembly that the matter was raised by the question of whether if Canada, for instance, refused to sell her nickel to other powers the latter would be entitled to demand arbitration by or on behalf of the League.

The committee adds that the incident affords an index to the ceaseless quarrels and troubles in which the British Empire would become involved if these portions of the protocol were allowed to stand.

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VETERANS OF CIVIL SERVICE RETIRING

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Mr. Roderick Tolmie is Considered Dean of Civil Servants in British Columbia

Announcement was made at the Parliament Buildings yesterday of the retirement shortly of two long-service civil servants who has been engaged in Government work during many administrations. Mr. Roderick E. Tolmie, Deputy Minister of Mines, and Col. W. Fleet Robertson, Provincial Mineralogist, both of Victoria, will hold office for two or three months. It is said, and then accept superannuation. In the ordinary course of events their retirement would have taken place some time ago, but the Government felt that their knowledge of mining conditions in British Columbia was such that they could not be dispensed with until capable successors could be trained.

Mr. Tolmie, as he is best known, is the dean of civil servants in British Columbia, having first entered the service thirty-eight years ago when in 1875 he accepted a post in the Royal Hudson office for a week. He has been Deputy Minister of Mines for the past twenty-two years, having been appointed to that office by the late Col. E. G. Prior when he was Minister of Mines. Mr. Tolmie has seen service under no less than sixteen prime ministers of the Province.

At Barkerville

Before entering the civil service Mr. Tolmie was employed by the Bank of British Columbia at Barkerville. He was also for a time secretary and organizer of the Mine Owners' Association. He was born in Fort Nisqually on the Hudson's Bay, in what is now the State of Washington, sixty-six years ago. His father was medical officer of the community at the port. The retiring deputy's brother is Hon. S. F. Tolmie, M.P., for Victoria.

"Rod" Tolmie has thousands of friends all over the country. His personal and administrative qualities have gained him popularity with all and with governments of varying shades of politics.

Mr. Robertson has held his office for twenty-six years. He was born in Montreal in 1869 and was graduated from McGill University. He was an electrical construction engineer during the erection of the Oxford Copper Company's smelter in Quebec, and superintendent of the company for years afterwards. He was also employed by a number of American smelting companies, and was in charge of a green smelter in Spain.

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Expresses Pity for Wife Who Waits for Husband to Arrive Late for Dinner

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Divorce does not necessarily mean that husband and wife have ceased to love each other. In fact the contrary often is true. In the opinion of Judge Thomas Graham, known locally as the great reconciler.

Judge Graham has been hearing divorce cases for 24 years. "It has been my experience," he said recently, "that love is not always dead when a woman sues for divorce. I believe in the right of the women who get divorces, love of the courtroom with heavy hearts. They love the men they have just divorced. I believe that when a woman once loves a man, she never ceases to love, even though she may testify most bitterly against her husband."

"A man does not have the power of expression of love that a woman has. Yet that love is there and it endures. When a father deserts his children, he is arrested. Almost as many mothers desert their children, yet we seldom hear of their arrest for abandonment."

Gambling in itself is not cause for divorce, Judge Graham holds. "There are few homes indeed," he pointed out, "where husband or wife doesn't play poker, mah jong, bridge or some other game of cards for money or prizes. But when the wife squanders her husband's income on bridge, mah jong, or on husbands, loses all his time and money at the gaming table and stays out until all hours of the night, gambling becomes ground for divorce in this state on the charge of cruelty."

The young man, wife of the wife, for the wife who stays at home niggles, waits for her husband to come home for dinner and he does not come until the dinner is cold; spoiled, in the opinion of the wife. And there never was a wife who did not take pride in the dinners she prepared for her husband. The poor husband, intent on a form of cruelty on his wife, causes her more suffering than the lash of a whip. She has a good ground for divorce.

"So has the wife whose mental suffering is caused by the man's staying out late at early morning hours. Every day we read in the newspapers of men slugged and robed, sometimes killed, while returning home at night. Imagine the state of mind of the wife who waits hour after hour for her husband to come home and he does not appear. Not that the night may be when he does not appear that sort of thing. Finally she comes into the divorce court to get freedom from the man she really loves better than any one in the world."

No Case Made Out

In the cross examination, Mr. G. H. Sedger, for the defence, questioned the witness about anomalies in the neighbourhood over the milk question. She did not know of any particular bairns being manifested among the people of the district.

Mr. J. P. Walls had been told by McDonald while the latter was in the city jail that he was sorry for having charged the boys with assault. He said that he was going to clear them. He added that he had been practically forced to do what he did.

Mr. Sedger raised some preliminary objections, one of which was that the information upon which the original proceedings against the

QUEEN MOTHER IS STILL ACTIVE

RETAINS KEEN INTEREST IN LONDON'S ACTIVITIES

Although Eighty Years Old, She Continues to Entertain Guests at Sandringham

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Even at her eightieth year Queen Alexandra has not lost her touch with the affairs of London with which she has been associated for more than half a century. The hundreds of hostesses who entertain during the year at the royal residence always remember the Queen's family, always receive invitations; all affairs are as she did when she lived at Marlborough House, across the park from her son's home.

Whenever a dinner or party is given by anyone whose position allows, an invitation is sent to the Queen Mother, and this is usually followed by a note of regret and an expression with the name of the guest, the dresses and other details to be sent to her. When the Queen first retired to Sandringham most of her friends made regular trips to visit her, but during the last few months her physician has advised that she give up the fatigues of these visits and it is now only through the post that she can hear of the neighborhood gossip.

Keeps Open House

When Queen Alexandra moved into Marlborough House she continued to keep open house for the many members of the royal family who enjoyed the right of entry to the palace under the reign of Edward VII. This is still continued at Sandringham and there is hardly a day when some member of the family is not the guest of the Queen Mother.

The King and Queen have spent several weeks with her at Sandringham over the past year. The Queen Mother had paid a visit to her grandmother. Recently before the two sons of Princess Mary came to London they were taken to see their great-grandmother, and at the same time were officially introduced to their great-grandmothers, the Dowager Queen Olga of Greece, and their aunt, Princess Victoria, who is her mother's constant companion.

Daily Walk

Queen Alexandra, who is eighty years old, still takes a daily walk through her gardens to visit her kennels, for she is an ardent lover of dogs and has no less than fifteen pets. Reading the newspapers is another daily task of the aged Queen Mother. She also spends time writing a few letters, generally on public matters, for she has never ceased to take an interest in the welfare of the hospitals and children's homes, which she has fostered since she came to England 61 years ago.

ACQUITS SEA COOK ON PERJURY CHARGE

Frederick A. McDonald, After Jailing in Corrals, Is Freed of Most Serious Offense

Frederick A. McDonald, charged with perjury in the County Court, was acquitted by Judge Lampman yesterday. The trial was one that attracted a good deal of attention from the fact that it had its foundation in charges laid last May against three young men living near the George Town, a notorious quarter that had attacked McDonald, employed at the time as a cook in the Royal Canadian Navy.

The preliminary hearing against the young men in the Banchu police court was a long-drawn-out proceeding in view of the fact that McDonald could not appear in court for debility. When he did take the stand, fresh from the hospital, he collapsed while giving evidence. This necessitated another long delay. Finally the young men were acquitted with no evidence given against them.

The perjury proceedings followed the actual trial. It was alleged that when McDonald at the preliminary hearing testified that these three men attacked him, he knew he was swearing to a falsehood.

Deny Accusations

The young men, James R. Fielding, Thomas Hallam and Clarence Thompson, gave evidence at the trial yesterday recalling their movements on the night in question and testifying that they had not seen the accused nor had they had any part in the assault alleged.

Evidence was given that McDonald, at Royal Oak, in the presence of Banchu police, had identified the three as his assailants on the night in question. He had later, in police court, also identified them and swore that he had no objection to their being tried.

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The Labor Party in Britain believe

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young men taken, was not proved to put it into effect. Any Labor man could tell you why. But what the Labor Party in Britain did do, was to convert an additional million voters to a faith in that basic idea of theirs, which, I think you will admit, was no mean advance towards enabling them to put their proposed remedies to the trial of their ten years.

Now, sir, I suggest that this accumulated wisdom of the centuries, even with the help of a Divine example to back it up, and the natural inclination of the human to be kind and generous, to help others, it has exceeded the limits of its possibilities. The position at present is not desirable. In one sense we are all cads; always and forever cadding, cadding, cadding either for a job or permission to keep it, and the human has a natural, deeper-seated objection to be forced to become a cadger in any shape or form. And the wisdom of the example and the generosity utterly fail when dealing with the situation through the channels of charity. In the nature of things the successful cadger can have little sympathy with the unsuccessful cadger.

To the duty of the legislature to take the problem in hand, and if they cannot solve it, give some sort of reason for it. Is it the "limitations of the individual mentality" (you do turn pretty phrases, sir, that is the obstruction, or is it that the limitations of the old party doctrine, has been passed? I have not been able to decide.

I'm sorry I cannot help you to determine, sir, what the remedy for unemployment is. I have seen the report of Mr. Uphill's library. I don't see that much good would result if we

succeeded. As for his egotism, I think it'd better put that down to that "not having a good seatmate" and let it go at that. What I am interested in is the problem of how to make a satisfactory connection with the food, clothing and shelter provided by Mother Earth, which I understand is "The Lord's," together with the fulness thereof, while there is no denying that I am one of His people.

I think you will agree that each man's needs and capacities are no very similar to those of his brother, that one day the problem will be solved, and justify those who would go ahead.

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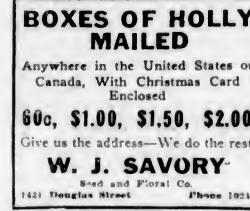
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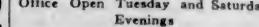
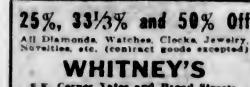
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Mayor Charges in Report to
City Council**SAYS LEGAL COUNSEL
GIVEN POOR HEARING**High-Handed Action of Com-
mittee of House Resulted in
Withdrawal of Legislation to
Benefit Victoria

CHARGES that members of the Private Bills Committee of the House seemed to be prejudiced against Victoria, and that the city's legal counsel had not been given a fair hearing, were contained in Mayor Hayward's report to the City Council on the Victoria City Private Bill, which "died on the order paper at the last session of the House."

According to the committee's high-
handed action in inserting an un-
wanted clause to compel the city to
proceed with a valuation by an inde-
pendent panel of certain works
connected with the Sooke Lake water

system, Ald. Todd said.

"Out of thirteen members of the
committee only seven were present.
Yet those seven took it upon them-
selves to place their judgment su-
perior to that of the City Council,
ignoring our expressed wish that we
did not have that particular clause
in the city's private bill."

"We had no idea, not even a
suspicion, that the matter was com-
ing up for consideration. And yet
these seven men from different parts
of the Province took it upon them-
selves to ignore the wishes of the
elected representatives of the
citizens of Victoria."

Ald. Todd deplored the opposition to
the city's cause on the part of
certain people with regard to the
Sooke Lake clause. The same per-
son, he declared, had been most
active about seven years ago in
planning the election and organiza-
tion of the Province, which was costing
the people \$500 a day in the year. Those
people should remember their own
responsibility. He was glad that Ald.
Marchant had referred him as the
chief supporter of the private bill. It
was too bad that the council had not
been unanimous in advocating the
measure. But it seemed to be char-
acteristic of the city that it could
never be unanimous on any single
question.

Ald. Harvey thought that a vote of
thanks should be tendered Mayor
Hayward for his efforts in support of
the bill and in opposition to the Sooke
Lake clause.

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He could not regard Victorians'
inability to be unselfish as un-
believable, Ald. Marchant said. To accuse
the citizens of such a thing was to
flatter them. He hoped the time
would never come when the people
could only see one side of a question.

That bill had been loaded with mat-
ters so noxious as to make oppo-
sition inevitable. For example, to
try to deprive the firemen of one day off in seven,
he himself had voluntarily gone over
to the Parliament Buildings to op-
pose the bill.

The celebrated gentleman referred
to by Ald. Todd, Mr. John Dean, I
think, opposed to the repeal and
enactment of it." Ald. Marchant de-
clared amidst laughter. "He didn't
know where he was."

The following is the Mayor's report
on the private bill, copies of which
were ordered sent to the House of
Commons and the Victoria Ideal
House.

It is to report that the application
of this Council to the Provincial
Legislature, at the session just closed,
for certain powers, through a Private
Bill of which I was sponsor, met with
but little success, and died on the
Order Paper at the last sitting of the
House.

The bill was duly presented, re-
ceived and read a first time, and then
sent on to the Private Bills Committee
for report, where numerous items
were struck out.

"During the session, a Petition was
presented to the House by the Liquor
Company, praying for legislation per-
mitting the City of Victoria to proceed
with valuations, etc., by an independent
engineer, in certain works connected
with the Sooke Lake Water System,
which the city took over from
the contractors and completed, owing
to the Westholme Lumber Company
falling into financial difficulties. This
matter was referred to the Private
Bills Committee, who heard the pleas
pro and con, Mr. Taylor representing
the Liquor Company and Mr. Harold
Robertson, K.C., presenting
the city's side of the case.

"When the matter was before the
committee, with counsel in attendance,
the members of the Private Bills Committee
were present, and in my opinion, Mr. Hob-
ertson was not given the opportunity
to fully present our side of the case,
and it also appeared to me that some
members of the committee were
prejudiced against Victoria. Ultimately,
a motion was carried to amend our
Private Bill, making it mandatory for
us to proceed along the lines of the
Westholme Petition. The amended
bill was reprinted and put upon the
Order Paper for second reading.

"Before asking for the second reading,
you will remember, I consulted
the City Council. To my surprise, and
I was instructed to proceed if possible,
or withdraw the bill if I considered
it in the interest of the city to do so.

"From that day to the close of the
session, Mr. Pringle and Mr. Robert-
son were in almost constant attendance
at the Legislature, watching and
assisting me, and lobbying also. Ald.
Marchant also attended several ses-
sions in a like capacity and rendered
me assistance.

"It was evident that a majority of
the House intended that the West-
holme clause was to form a part of our
Private Bill, and when at the
final reading motion was made for the
withdrawal of the bill, it was defeated
by a substantial vote, clearly showing
what the result would have been if the bill had been pro-
ceeded with. No further action was
taken at the closing session and the bill
died a natural death.

"I might say that when the Muni-

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Accompanied by sub-zero weather, a fire gutted the Cecil Hotel in Ottawa on Monday morning. A number of guests were overcome and had to be carried out by firemen in their night attire. An overheated chimney is thought to have been the cause of this disastrous fire.

Principal Act was opened, I was able to get two amendments to it, from notes taken from our Private Bill, the clauses relative to the 'Sale by auction' and 'The fixed rate of taxation' and 'Land improvements'.

"I regret the failure of the bill, and from my experience this session, am of the opinion that whenever possible—if amending legislation is required—it should be sought through the Municipal Act rather than by Private Bill, as Victoria Private Bills appear none too popular with certain members of the Legislature."

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CLOVERDALE SCHOOL

The second annual concert of the
Cloverdale School took place on Wed-
nesday and Thursday evenings in the
Community Hall, Lake Hill. Despite
climatic conditions, large and appre-
ciative audiences filled the hall on
both evenings, and pupils and teach-
ers were highly commended on the
spirit of enthusiasm shown. Mr. W.
P. Jeune, president of the Parent-
Teachers' Association, presided on the
opening night.

During the intermission on Thurs-
day morning, at 2 o'clock in the chapel
of the B.C. Funeral Co. by the Rev.
F. A. P. Chadwick. There was a large
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City & District

Dramatic School Closed—The B.C. Dramatic School is closed for the holidays. It will re-open with classes as usual on Saturday, January 3.

Rehearsals—**Oratorio**—Rehearsals for the oratorio, "Holy City," will commence after the New Year. The orchestral parts have arrived and are already being rehearsed.

Friendly Help Request—The Friendly Help would be grateful to anyone who would leave an easy chair at their rooms at the Market Building for the use of an impoverished invalid.

Struck by Car—Fireman Cavette, of headquarters, Cormorant Street, was slightly injured shortly before 6 o'clock last evening when he struck by one of the Burns & Company delivery trucks. The accident occurred opposite the fire station. Mr. Cavette was taken to his home.

Unitarian Entertainment—A Christmas tree entertainment will be held in the First Unitarian Church, 1111 Fort Street, on the 25th of December, at 7 p.m., preceded by a supper for children at 5:30, provided by the Women's Alliance. Santa Claus has promised to be present, and he never disappoints the children.

Thirty-Four Convictions—There were thirty-four convictions in the police court during the month of November, according to the report placed before the police commission, Saturday. One prisoner was sent to a higher court for trial; seven were discharged; four were found to be of unsound mind; and twenty were incarcerated for safe keeping.

Markfield Parties Enjoyed—Another enjoyable 500 drive was held in the Marigold Hall, Friday evening, under the auspices of the Garden City Women's Institute. The prize winners were Mrs. Lynn and Mr. Smith, first; Mrs. Shingler, second; and Mrs. Grey, third. As the drives have been popular, a special 500 has been arranged tomorrow night. A turkey will be given to the player with the highest score. An invitation is extended to all members and their friends.

Successful Concert—The Christmas smoking concert held Saturday night by the Great War Veterans' Association proved a big success in every particular, and ten high standard of excellence that has marked past functions of the organization was maintained. A special program was given, the following artists making contributions to the evening's enjoyment in song or story: Lieut.-Paymaster Cosette, Messrs. Briggs, Dobie, Obee, Uglow, Ingledew, Watson, Worth and Dumberton. Zala's orchestra rendered musical selections.

UNEMPLOYED TO GET TURKEY AT CHRISTMAS DINNER

Council Finds Money to Give Employment to 20 Additional Members of Unemployed

The unemployed last night appealed to the City Council for three months, and a sum of two, as at present, for a Christmas dinner on Christmas Day.

The council decided, on motion of Ald. Todd, to grant the appeal for the Christmas dinner and voted for the three meals on Christmas Day, but referred to the unemployed committee that a third meal be added to the two already provided daily.

"But why do they do the same thing?" Ald. Dewar asked.

"They are getting two meals a day now," Mayor Hayward pointed out.

"It's pretty tough on them—only getting two meals a day in this cold weather," Ald. Dewar commented.

The request was contained in the following letter to the council from Mr. P. G. Macfarlane, vice-president; Mr. G. Spence, secretary; and Messrs. J. Wood, T. Gold, George Stewart, E. Arney, G. Robins and H. Lawrie.

Reports of the president and secretary, covering the activities of the past twelve months, were given and showed that the past year was the most successful in the institute's history. With the aid of the Saanich Council, took many honors for the district, and the various competitions, including strawberries, garden potatos, general crop and certified, were a decided success. The concert and country store entertainment also more than paid for the trouble taken.

An illustrated lecture was given by Mrs. Lucas on the work of the Saanich War Memorial Health Centre, the address being appreciated by all.

At the next meeting Mr. Jeffrey, of the Experimental Farm, will speak and give a demonstration of killing and plucking.

Thanks were tendered to the ladies of the association for serving refreshments during the year, as the meetings were made more sociable as a result.

**WARD SIX SUPPORTS
SAANICH MAGISTRATE**

Ratepayers' Body Endorses Reeve Macnicol and Councillor Hagan — Reports of Services Given

Ward Six Ratepayers' Association last night gave its endorsement to Reeve Robert Macnicol, who is seeking a second term as chief executive of Saanich municipality. Councillor Hagan, who is again a candidate for the Council in Ward Six, was praised for his good work on the Council and tendered his support of the organization in the forthcoming election.

Endorsement of candidates for the School Board and Police Commission was withheld, the meeting deciding to leave this matter to the judgment of the individual members of the association to determine. Mr. E. P. Johnston, the president, occupied the chair.

A short review of his administration at Royal Oak was given by Reeve Robert Macnicol.

A splendid report of the activities of the Saanich Council during the past twelve months, and of his stewardship as the representative from Ward Six, was given by Councillor Hagan.

Two candidates for the School Board, Messrs. J. Chisholm and Mrs. Campbell, and two applicants for the Police Commission, Messrs. A. E. Sculfe and T. K. Harrop, addressed the meeting briefly.

Federal Premier to Visit Quebec

QUEBEC, Dec. 22.—Great interest

in being manifested here in the forth-

coming visit of the Hon. W. L.

Mackenzie King, who will visit

Quebec January 15, accompanied by

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Father, mother, brother or sister will appreciate a pair of nice cosy House Slippers. We have a splendid assortment to choose from at extremely low prices. Make your selection now before assortments and sizes are broken.

Misses' and Children's Imported

Felt Slippers, \$1.15 and \$1.25. Shown in plain felt, Teddy Bear pattern and apple pattern velvet; a large range of colors to select from. All sizes. Priced at per pair. \$1.00, \$1.15 and \$1.25.

Misses' and Children's Party Slippers

Smart, dressy party slippers, in patent leather; selection of ankle strap or instep strap styles. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

Dress Slippers for Growing Girls

Dainty Patent Leather Instep Strap Slippers, turn soles and low heels; plain, narrow strap and wide cut-out strap effects to choose from. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$1.50 and \$2.50.

Gift Slippers for Women

Dainty and distinct styles in imported felt. Slippers; shown in delicate popular shades; ribbon trimmed and two-tone turnover cuff styles, turn leather soles, smart shapes. All sizes. Per pair, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Dainty Boudoir Slippers for Women

In silver brocade cloth, white fur trimmed, with light, flexible leather soles. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$2.50.

Women's Evening Slippers

Beautiful Evening Shoes, shown in distinct styles of silver brocade, black and silver brocade, novelty brocade and plain silver; latest designs and newest strap effects. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$12.00 to \$14.75.

Boys' Gift Slippers

Leather Slippers, in black and brown kid uppers, with leather soles. Everett style with full round toe shapes. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$2.50.

Dress Shoes for Boys

Black and Brown Calf Dress Oxfords, light, close-trimmed welted soles; smart but roomy shape lasts. All sizes. Per pair. \$4.75.

Gift Slippers for Men

Comfy and serviceable Felt Slippers in plaids and plain patterns, also Art Velvet style; all with feather soles. All sizes. Priced at per pair. \$2.75, \$4.50 and \$5.75.

Men's Leather Slippers

A large range of black and brown Kid Slippers for men; shown in Everett and Pullman styles, flexible leather soles and comfy roomy shapes. All sizes. Priced at per pair. \$2.75, \$3.50 and \$3.75.

Dress Shoes for Men

Imported English-made Dress Patent Leather Pumps; smart style shoe for all dress occasions. All sizes. Price, per pair. \$6.50. —Main Floor

Gifts for the Men

Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, 3 for \$1.00. Heavy weight Linen Handkerchiefs in neat one-quarter inch hemstitched borders, snowy white, black and grey handkerchief that will give long wear, enclosed in handy gift folders and make ideal gifts for any man. Priced at. 3 for \$1.00.

Novelty Pongee Handkerchiefs, 50c.

Heavy weight Pure Pongee; with smart faint colored stripe in corner; the season's favorite style handkerchiefs, in gift folders. Price, each. \$1.00.

President Suspenders, 75c.

The easy comfort cord suspender that every man should have. Strong, fresh elastic web, in shades of blue, helio and grey stripes. Price, per pair. 75c and \$1.00.

Men's Suspenders in Gift Boxes, 75c and \$1.00.

Fine elastic, full of stretch and strength; stitched kid ends that match in color, and suspenders that will wear well. Priced at per pair. 75c and \$1.00.

New Neckwear for Men, \$1.00.

Hosts of smart designs in all shades for the late Christmas shoppers. Many ties in this range formerly priced at \$1.50 and now clearing at this reduced price. Each. \$1.00.

Silk and Wool Crepe Ties, \$1.50.

Of silk and wool unceasable crepe, as well as Swiss silk; all new stock and the smartest designs and colorings in all shades. Ties that will suit the most fastidious of tastes. Price, each. \$1.50. —Main Floor

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Practical Gifts for Little Tots

Novelty Jiffy Pants, 69c

In excellent quality rubber, trimmed with silk stitching; come in white, trimmed pink or blue. Price, each. 69c.

Infants' Shoes, 75c

White Kid Shoes, trimmed in pink or blue. Price, per pair. 75c.

Infants' Shoes, \$1.10

Black Patent Shoes, with ankle strap. Price, per pair. \$1.10.

Infants' Shoes, \$1.25

In black patent leather, with three straps. Price, per pair. \$1.25.

Children's Dresses, \$1.00

In fine white lawn, neatly embroidered; neck, sleeves and skirt finished with neat buttonholed edge. Sizes 1 and 2 years. Price, each. \$1.00.

Children's Dresses, \$1.49

In pretty shades of sky, peach, green and pink, daintily embroidered in attractive colors. These come in sheerest quality lawn, in sizes 2 to 4 years. Each. \$1.49. —2nd Floor



Merchandise Gift Certificates, made out for any amount you choose, are redeemable at any Hudson's Bay Company Store. They solve the gift problem for out-of-town friends and those whom you find very hard to choose for. In the case of Gloves or Hosiery, where sizes are unknown, we particularly recommend a certificate. They may be obtained at the Information Bureau on the Mezzanine Floor.

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Embroidered Pillow Cases

Scalloped and hemstitched ends; neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Price, per pair. \$1.95, \$2.25 and \$2.50.

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In many new designs and all neatly packed in holly boxes. Price, each. 75c, \$1.50. —Main Floor

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Set of 1 Towel and 2 Face Cloths. Price, per set. \$1.95.

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Pure Linen Hemstitched Pillow Cases

Size 44 by 66. Price, per pair. \$3.75.

Pure Linen Hemstitched Tea Napkins

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Large showing of Fancy Linens, in Madeira, Cluny and Venetian handwork. Doilies, centres, traycloths, scarfs, lunch cloths, napkins, etc., moderately priced. —Main Floor

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Sleeveless, shoulders strapped in narrow contrasting bands, front embroidered in contrasting color. In shades of maize, Nile, mauve and flesh. Each. \$4.95.

Voile Nightgowns, \$5.95

Front prettily embroidered, square and V neck; tucked shoulder, large arm holes and neck, bound in contrasting color. In shades of sage, flesh, maize, green. Price, each. \$5.95.

Women's Underwear

In lovely soft quality wool, with large wing sleeves. Dainty border in novelty weave. Come in shades of flesh and orchid, also white. Price, each. \$15.00.

Shetland Wool Dressing Jackets

In lovely soft quality wool, in white and flesh only. Price, each. \$6.95. —2nd Floor

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Mahogany Candlesticks

Just about twenty-five pairs, no shop early. They stand six inches high, are neatly turned and finished with brass. Morning Special, each. 75c.

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Gift Umbrellas

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Women's Umbrellas

With Gloria cover, strong frames, strap and cord handles. Price, each. \$3.75 and \$5.00.

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In latest styles, strong frames, with novelty handle; in brown, navy and purple. Price, each. \$6.95.

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In "Chubby" style, heavy silk covers, with amber tips and novelty handles; in colors of navy and purple, also black. Price, each. \$8.50 and \$11.50.

—Main Floor

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Gifts for Smokers

Children's Picture Handkerchiefs

In colored lawn, with printed figure in each corner. Price, each. 2 for 15c.

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With worked figure in corner. Priced at 3 for 25c.

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With pretty hand-work designs in corner; 3 in a box. Price, per box of 3. 50c, 75c, 95c and 115c.

Women's White Lawn Handkerchiefs

With embroidered designs in corner, 3 in a box. Price, per box of 3. 50c, 75c, 95c and 115c.

—Main Floor

Tuesday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Solid Fumed Oak Smokers

With turned standard and base, equipped with heavy glass ash trays. Regular \$5.50. Morning Special, each. \$2.95.

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Tuesday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Today's Gift Offerings in Furniture Department

Mahogany Finish Trays, \$2.50

Oval shape, mahogany finish, with brass handles and glass tops. Regular \$3.50. Price, each. \$2.50.

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Complete with shade and all wiring. Price, each. \$3.25.

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6 Only, Solid Oak Footstools, with genuine leather upholstered tops; very strongly constructed. Special Price, each. \$3.50.

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Social Events

Dance Hosts

Last evening the Victoria Club was the scene of a delightful dance given by Mr. and Mrs. John Wood for the pleasure of their daughter, Miss Gwendolyn Wood. The hall had been prettily decorated with holly and evergreens. The music was supplied by Pitt's orchestra, and during the evening a delicious buffet supper was served. Those present were: Miss Margaret Adam, Miss Margaret Bell, Miss Doris Woolson, Miss Margaret Armstrong, Miss Ruth Hemmer, Miss Kathleen Keenagh, Miss Kathleen Forbes, Miss Alice Bradshaw, Miss Elizabeth Grimshaw, Miss Helen Whiteley, Miss Olive Action, Miss Noel Cusack, Miss Doris Morrison, Miss Marjorie Irenwick, Miss Phyllis Mason, Miss Grace Humber, Miss Margaret Fletcher, Miss Marian Davies, Miss Dorothy Geake, Miss Lois Dalton, Miss Elizabeth Jessie, Miss Ruth Richards, Miss Gertrude Hill, Miss Margaret Harris, Miss Mabel Harris, Miss Mary Malcolm, Miss Millicent Umback, Miss Gwendolyn Dawson, Miss Marjorie Stribbling, Miss Catherine Pearce, Mr. Arthur Fraser, Mr. Walter Fraser, Mr. Albert Russell, Mr.

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Hosts at Dance

Very delightful was the dance given last night by Miss Kathleen Holmes and Mr. Anthony Farer in the private ballroom of the Empress Hotel. Pitt's orchestra supplied the music for the dancing and during the evening refreshments were served in the palm room. The guests were received upon their arrival by the parents, Dr. and Mrs. Denton Holmes. Among those present were: Miss Mary Martin-Griffen, of Vancouver; Miss Kathleen Ross, Miss Irena Fleming, Miss Elaine St. John, Miss Mary Ley, Galaher, Miss Frances Johnson, Miss Margaret Homer Dixon, Miss Isobel Headley, Miss Kathleen Gann, Miss Mildred Phillips, Miss Dorothy Onborn, Miss Joan Spurgin, Miss Dorothy Downes, Miss Vida Shandley, Miss Marion Robertson, Miss May Schofield, Miss Betty Schofield, Miss Shirley St. John, Miss Mary M. Yoda Pemberton, Miss Marjorie Gillett, Miss Madie Innes, Miss Sheila Green Wilkinson, Miss Marcia Farmer, Miss Phyllis Henderson, Miss Lucy Bryden, Miss Betty Bryden, Miss Yvonne Stewart, Miss Isabel Turner, Miss Louise Campbell, Miss Nancy Ross, Miss Barbara Ross, Miss Carla Leader, Miss Ethel Farer, Miss Pauline Brindley, Miss Louise Pollard, and Misses Handa Matthews, W. Ronald, Karen, Kelly Henning, Ronald, Buckman, Jack Carey, Charles Watson, and Jack Ross.

GULF ISLAND SERVICE

In addition to the service operated by the SS. Otter to Gulf Island points from Victoria every Monday at 7:15 a.m. and Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., the S. S. Charmer leaves Victoria every Tuesday at 12 noon, calling at Port Washington, Ganges Harbor, Mayne Island, thence to Vancouver, arriving there about 8:30 p.m. The Charmer also leaves Vancouver every Monday at 7:30 a.m. calling at these points arriving at Victoria about 4:30 that afternoon.

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To Arrive Here

Miss Marion Blasian, of the MacLean School teaching staff, Rossland, is arriving in Victoria shortly to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. O. Blasian.

Brief Visit

Mr. Fred Morris, Mr. Cyril Wagstaff and Mr. Wilfred Douglas, of Fulford Harbor, Salt Spring Island, were visitors in the city for a few days last week.

Home at Christmas

Mr. Irving McDermott has returned to the city from Prince Rupert to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McDermott, Uplands.

Visitors

Miss Ella Munn and Miss Dora Miller, recently left Victoria for Rossland, where they will spend Christmas visiting relatives.

Visitors City

Mrs. E. Shephard, of Isabella Point, was a visitor in the city last week for a few days.

Distribute Hampers

This year has been a record year for the distribution of Christmas hampers for the families of returned soldiers by Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. Forty-six hampers were packed yesterday by members at their headquarters in the Hotel Empress, and although an unusually large hamper was received by the Chapter owing to the generous response of the public the requests will be fulfilled. The members spent a very busy day yesterday packing the Christmas hampers, and were greatly assisted by Rev. A. deB. Owen.

Return from Rossland

Mrs. Lorne A. Campbell, and her daughter, Miss Louise Campbell, who left recently for Rossland to accompany Mr. Campbell on his return to Victoria, arrived in Victoria at the end of last week. Mr. Campbell, vice-president and general manager of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, of Rossland, had been a patient for the two previous weeks at the Sisters' Hospital, but was able to travel here last week.

From New Westminster

Mrs. Walter Harvey and her son, James, are in the city to spend the holidays. Mrs. James Mellen, 1025 Burrard Avenue, New Westminster, will arrive on Christmas Eve, and, with his wife and son, will return to their home in New Westminster the end of the week.

Home for Holidays

The Misses Pauline and Helen McDonald, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDonald, of Rossland, have returned to their home at Rossland for the Christmas holidays after attending school here. They were accompanied by Miss Eileen Russell, who will be their guest for Christmas.

Going to Vancouver

After a delightful visit with Mrs. Arthur Robertson, Mrs. J. J. Shallow is leaving this week to spend Christmas with her mother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Shallowcross, Shaughnessy Heights, Vancouver.

From Vancouver

Miss R. H. Day has arrived in Victoria from Vancouver, and is a guest at the Empress Hotel. Her daughter, Miss Toile Day, who has been visiting friends here for the past few days, is also at the Empress Hotel.

Returns From Vancouver

Miss Alice Baines has returned to the city from Vancouver, where she is a student at the University of British Columbia. She is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Baines, Yates Street.

Visiting in Victoria

Miss Margaret Wilson, of Winnipeg, is visiting in Victoria as the guest of Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, 1710 Fort Street. She will remain here during the Christmas season.

Return Home

Dr. and Mrs. Beech, accompanied by their son, "Teddy," who has been attending school here, have returned to their home at Rossland for the holidays.

To Spend Christmas

Mrs. W. M. Roberts, 1001 Belmont Road, is leaving tomorrow to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fisher, Salt Spring Island.

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POPULAR VICTORIANS WEDDED IN HONOLULU

Miss Marguerite Verinder Becomes Bride of Mr. Eric George at Pretty Ceremony

A wedding of much interest to a wide circle of friends in Victoria took place on November 21 in Honolulu, when Miss Marguerite Virginie Ford, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. Ford Verinder, "Warburton," Victoria, B.C., was united in marriage to Mr. Eric George, eldest son of Major and Mrs. Francis W. B. George, also of Victoria, B.C.

The ceremony was performed at St. Clements Episcopal Church by the Rev. Maitland Woods, M.A., with the organist and choir in attendance.

The bride, who was given away by her cousin, Mr. F. A. Bachelor, was radiant in a white, full-skirted gown of lace. Her veil of white tulle, edged with old Maltese lace, the gift of her mother, was caught in place with a coronet of orange blossoms, which, with earrings of single orange blossoms, were given by Miss Henrietta Buck in pale blue taffeta, also Victorian style, with a shower bouquet of pink roses and blue forget-me-nots.

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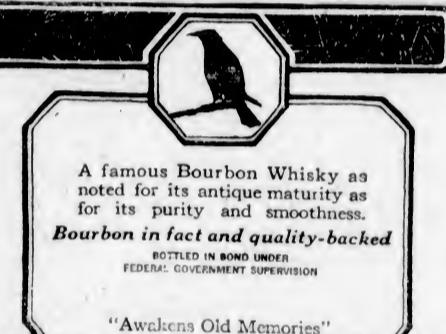
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Last Word Is Spoken on Milady's Winter Styles

THE final word has been spoken on Winter fashions and the styles that now are seen in Paris represent the crystallized fashion of the present season. A composite picture of the season's mode may be conjured up from the following details, observed on the streets of Paris, the fashionable rendezvous of Paris.

Kachadrap dresses are worn for the afternoon. Trimmings are seen in vertical lines which make a woman look taller and more slender. Skirts grow even shorter and narrower. Many coats are lined entirely with fur and sleeves have fur cuffs up to the elbow. Furs are used for suits and coats. Furs are dyed pink, jade green, cherry color, to match the color of the afternoon gown or to contrast strongly with it.

Kushin coats are cut in straight lines and have large collars. Hats have almost no brims, but feature ribbons, tucks and bows and trimmings. These are Directoire forms made of felt and panno in several colors are often combined.

Strait Sleeves and Aviator Collars Cut patterns do not show much variety. The aviation collars, the collars of draught-board material, the very pronounced crossing line of the collar, which is close to one hip, the two sides of each coat, and lack of different material, bring some slight variety into the range of coat models. The sleeves are cut straight and with little width. The favorite colors are an old green, grey, brown and black, which are always elegant. The trimmings are straight, varied, relief style, soutache, ribbon designs, all rather rich and obvious. Pockets are often on greatcoats and give

them a more comfortable character. They are often embroidered to harmonize with the collar.

The evening gowns are ravishing. Silver dresses reign supreme. They are made of brocade and lace and are covered with silver palllettes or stripes of silver ribbon or with silver.

As to embroidery on evening gowns, it is certain that they never were used quite as much as at present and they are often combined with beads in the brightest colors. This does not mean that the simple and discreet evening gowns are not seen. Such gowns are usually made of black silk or velvet and combined with a wide touch of a bright color.

Much is heard in Paris about the Directoire style, but fashions have not quite arrived there as yet. The important couturiers are now showing evening gowns with very high waistlines and afternoon dresses which are buttoned way up to the neck, but the Directoire cut is used only for the most extravagant evening gowns.

For daytime there is a new small fashion consisting of frills which appear at the neck. They roll down on to the waist from a muslin collar which extends to the chin in front and is open at the neck.

You might think that the red heel is a thing of the far past, but it appears again as one of the latest fads of the mode. Colored shoes on light and dark shoes are "le dernier cri." A pretty decree of fashion has it that the ribbon on milady's hat must be the same color as the heel of her shoes.

DEMONSTRATE VIRGIL-CLAVIER METHOD

By Miss Marian Heming Heard
in Instruction Recital at Empress
—Sound Principles Shown

One of the invariably enjoyable students' recitals is that by pupils of Miss Marian Heming, and consequently the unusual interest attached to the programme which was given by the products of her studio a few days ago at the Empress Hotel. Apart from the always obvious fact that the student is extraordinarily and unusually well grounded in the fundamentals, that no one proceeds to the application of the principles until the principles themselves and the techniques embodied therein have been thoroughly absorbed, it becomes apparent as one listens to any of Miss Heming's students that they are receiving at her hands character-training as well as musical education, learning side by side with the latter the principles of accuracy and an analytic application to any subject which has to be mastered.

The programme opened with a demonstration of the first steps in the Virgil-Clavier teaching method which is employed by Miss Heming. This demonstration included exhibitions by some of the beginners as well as advanced students of currency in touch, rhythm, chord playing, octave playing, etc. To show that in complete mastery of technique lies expression, some of the pupils were called upon to play even a scale with expression, while the violin and cello were used to demonstrate the piano's another, on the piano, showing that the rhythm was absolutely together.

The remainder of the programme was divided into two parts, the first to permit the younger students, who have been Miss Heming's pupils only a short time, to demonstrate the second, opened by a pianoforte selection by Miss Heming herself, giving the senior students their opportunity. Without exception they showed wonderful groundwork and complete mastery of all the principles required for the presentation of composition or interpretation in other words. The pupil attempted anything beyond his powers; all the way through the recital the listener was conscious only of the utmost poise and ease on the part of the player. This demonstration of advanced studentship was perfect and came to a brilliant conclusion.

Two CHIC HATS FROM THE FRENCH



A departure from the suede hat studded with nailheads to resemble an ancient war helmet is seen in the picture of the hat shown on the left. This time the medium is satin, and instead of nailheads we have chinestones. The little bow on the top is an effective French touch. Below this is a hat of black satin which shows a fine gold thread design. The black gloves and feathers at either side drop well down to the shoulders. These two hats represent two types shown in satin. These divide favor for afternoon, with the fell hat, which is worn now for all occasions.

Fashions and Foibles

By Shirley Sharon



The tailored dress in many cases has lost most of its manly characteristics and is tailored only in its simplicity and beauty.

Black ribbed silk quite untrimmed, heavy bronze-colored satin braided in stripes, light wool crepe with dark crepe in front, red or almond green uncreased by any crease are the materials and colors seen in the fashionable Fifth Avenue shop windows in the new type of wrap-around dress. It is cut on narrow lines and worn short in the skirt, long in the bodice and close at the hip. Paris uses this style for wool rep and the new silk and wool faille.

clusion with Miss Rita Ormiston's polished performance of a list study.

Not the least interesting part of the recital was the demonstration in piano technique which was given under Miss Heming's personal direction.

During this part of the programme one of the girls played on the piano a Heethoven composition, part of which she had never previously heard, having practised it entirely on the Clavier. So uniformly merited was the performance that most of the audience could not tell which part had been studied at the piano and which at the Clavier. This demonstration, of course, was intended to show that a complete technical equipment of the very backbone of musicality. The whole performance succeeded to the clover interest and enthusiasm which greeted the student pianists testifying to the approval of the listeners.

ST. MARY'S PREPARES FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Following the usual custom on Christmas Day at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, there will be celebrations of the communion at 7, and 2:30 a.m., also immediately following a shortened form of morning prayer at 11 a.m. Special Christmas music will be sung at this service, including Charles Vincent's anthem, "There Were Shepherds."

On the following Sunday, December 23, the Christmas music will be repeated in the morning, and at the evening service, before 8 o'clock, the choir will render a carol service, which will include the anthem: "Ring Out, Wild Bells," P. Fletcher, and the following carols:

"All This Night," "Angels From the Realms of Glory" (Maurauder); "Under the Stars," (M. C. Goss) solo by Master A. Bird; "Carol of the Bells" (Bass Quire); "O Night, Peaceful and Blest" (Norman-French); solo by Master E. Whittemore; "The First Christmas Night," "Ring Christmas Bells" (Sir F. Bridge). In addition, number of the more familiar carols will be sung and loved by everybody, will be sung.

The choir, composed of some thirty boys in addition to adult members, will be under the leadership of Mr. F. T. C. Wilekett, A.R.C.O., choirmaster of St. Mary's. Mr. T. R. Myers, the church organist, will preside at the organ.

Boy-bands require a short day and a long night to grow luxuriantly.

JAMES BAY HOTEL HAS NEW MANAGEMENT

Extensive Alterations and Interior Decorating Carried Out in Well-Known Hostel

Under entirely new management the James Bay Hotel has started on its new career with every promise of success. Since the beginning of the year the well-known hotel had been under the management of Mr. W. Merston, M.C., and Miss D.C.M., under the personal supervision of Miss H. F. Hunter, who has had much experience in managing and directing hotels.

Miss Hunter was for two years manager and caterer at the Federated Women's Club, San Francisco. She had been with the Cliff Hotel, San Francisco, and was assistant manageress for the C.P.R. Banff-Windermere Hotel. Miss Hunter is therefore exceptionally well fitted for her present position, to which she brings years of experience which will undoubtedly be of great value in directing the James Bay Hotel.

The hotel at the present time includes five private suites, seventy bedrooms and eighteen bathrooms. Business has already proved so good, and the management so successful, that plans have been made for six new bathrooms which will be added in the Spring.

Extensive work in the building and pleasing interior decorations have entirely transformed the hotel within the last few months. Harry Carter has been the contractor in charge, with the exception of the living-room and dining-room, where the very decorative wallpaper, and the floor tiling after the famous Hampton Court pattern in the color lacquer red, were supplied by the Studio Interior Decoration, David Spencers, Ltd.

The dining-room is a room of unusual treatment. The walls are covered with a Chinese paper, the design reminiscent of the willow pattern, on a background of lacquer red. The window curtains are of gold gauze, and also of the light shades. The woodwork is of a light tone of grey, and the waitresses wear neat costumes of grey and light olive green, with white lawn cuffs and collars. There is also a children's dining-room for little guests under ten.

An additional attraction is the excellence of the cuisine, which is one of the features of the hotel.

A large lounge room has been opened recently, where wicker furniture upholstered in art canvas; a polished pine rug, give the room, which has wallpaper of a tapestry and floral shades, a tapestry blue and gold, a cheerful and home-like appearance, so essential in a building where guests remain for any great length of time.

The bedrooms are prettily lighted by electric chandeliers and bedspreads of contrasting colors.

With the reservations already received, and the permanent guests in the hotel, it is anticipated that there will be a full house over Christmas. Although it is expected the bedroom accommodation will be taken, the lounge room is always open to the public.

The opening function of the hotel will be held on Christmas night, when accommodation will be made for 120 guests for dinner, which will be followed later by a dance.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

Quanda Street was the scene of a merry gathering last week when parents and friends of the children gathered to enjoy the efforts of pupils and teachers in the annual Christmas entertainment. There were songs, dances, drills and sketches to the number of thirteen items, sustaining the interest and enjoyment for well over two hours.

Division One sang two choruses, "Just a Cot" and "My Boat is Waiting Here for Thee." A dance, "Maypole," was given by Divisions One and Two, which was a beautiful item, suggestive of bright Spring and banishing from thought the Wintry weather without, Dumbell exercises by the boys of Division Two was a picture of rhythmic action. Three Morris dances by Divisions One and Two received unanimous approval. The girls played on the piano a Heethoven composition, part of which she had never previously heard, having practised it entirely on the Clavier. So uniformly merited was the performance that most of the audience could not tell which part had been studied at the piano and which at the Clavier. This demonstration, of course, was intended to show that a complete technical equipment of the very backbone of musicality. The whole performance succeeded to the clover interest and enthusiasm which greeted the student pianists testifying to the approval of the listeners.

Division Four in quadrilles gave nursery rhymes beautifully and simply. Five sketches were well staged and well played by Divisions Six, Five, Three and One. The tiny tots of Division Six in "The Christ-

mas Carol" were a picture of cuteness. The "Spiders" afforded much delight and amusement. The note of unselfishness was sounded in the sketch by Division Five, "The Lost Toys." Division Three in "Tom-Tit-Tot" and in "The Magic Hat" showed dramatic power and feeling well beyond the years of the young players.

The concluding sketch, "Mixed Fruit," by Division One, the older pupils, was a play in verse of some merit and the actors did their part to sustain the quality of the play. It was marked by good movement and good voices and the costumes were a feature to be noted everywhere.

During the evening Marjory Taylor, Alice Bradwood, Willie and Kathleen Irvine, Berna Sargison, Verna Holt, Wilfred Tyldeley, Irene and Wilfred Burnett, Rosalie Gould, Phyllis and Iris Sherrill, K. and M. Billingsley, Lydia Dawley, Mrs. E. Holt, Winnie Near, Mrs. C. Bucker, R. Tyldeley, Alex. McNiven, J. Newbigging, Eva Bland, Una Devan.

CHRISTMAS RECITAL Pupils of Mr. and Mrs. Semple Give Programme

A large gathering of parents and friends assembled at the B.C. Academy on Friday evening to enjoy the Christmas recital of the junior pupils, violin and piano, of Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple. The first part of the programme was given by pupils from six to fourteen years of age.

The senior pupils were: Piano, Mrs. Holt and Miss Winona Scott; Violin, Miss Clarke Buckley and Raymond Tyldeley. Among the juniors the work of Willie and Kathleen Irvine, Verna Holt, piano; and Chris, Miller and M. Billingsley, violin, are especially worthy of mention, although all the students showed much musical ability and evidence of careful training. The following took part: Marjory Taylor, Alice Bradwood, Willie and Kathleen Irvine, Berna Sargison, Verna Holt, Wilfred Tyldeley, Irene and Wilfred Burnett, Rosalie Gould, Phyllis and Iris Sherrill, K. and M. Billingsley, Lydia Dawley, Mrs. E. Holt, Winnie Near, Mrs. C. Bucker, R. Tyldeley, Alex. McNiven, J. Newbigging, Eva Bland, Una Devan.

SALT SPRING NEWS

GANGES HARBOR, Dec. 28.—A special general meeting of the subscribers to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital took place on Tuesday evening at the Mahon Hall, Ganges, for the purpose of passing two resolutions dealing with the incorporation of the hospital and the isolation buildings. The latter, at the instance of the committee had been instructed to look into at the last annual meeting in April. The president, Mr. Edward Walter, was in the chair. The by-laws, which had been prepared by Mr. E. Scott and Mr. Shandley, were read and passed. After discussing the advisability of erecting a small isolation hospital it was agreed, after all difficulties had been considered, that the matter should be left in abeyance.

On Tuesday afternoon in the I.O.D.E. room, Ganges, the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary took place. Owing to the severe weather there was not a large attendance. Mrs. A. W. Collins, president, was in the chair. The officers elected for the coming year were as follows: President, Mrs. A. W. Collins; vice-president, Mrs. D. S. Harris; secretary, Mrs. T. F. Speed; literature secretary, Mrs. Johnson; Dorcas secretaries, Miss Beddoe and Mrs. J. Royal.

The annual Christmas sale of work of the Ganges Chapter, I.O.D.E., took place at the members' residence last week. Sixty-nine dollars was cleared for the Chapter's funds. The home cookery stall was in charge of Mrs. W. E. Scott and Mrs. Ringwood; the fancy stall, Mrs. Rowan and Mrs. Alan-Watson; the tea stall, Mrs. D. Harris and Mrs. Harvey; the fruit tub, Mrs. T. F. Speed and Miss E. Crofton. Tea was in the hands of Mrs. P. Beech, Mrs. C. Abbot, Mrs. Walter and helpers.

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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Fredrickson Scores The Lone Goal Which Spells Cougar Victory

Victoria's Professional Hockey Team Opens at Coast With Win From Vancouver Maroons—Game Lacked Interest in Early Stages, but Tightened Up in Third Period—Holmes Stops Everything Within Reach

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—Victoria Cougars mauled Frank Patrick's Maroons here tonight in a Western Canada Hockey League fixture, and emerged from the encounter with a 10-victory, after the most evenly contested game played on Vancouver ice this season.

Victoria played much better hockey, although neither team was up to the mark and the game lacked interest frequently. The lone counter of the game was netted by Fredrickson, ten minutes after the start of the second period, and came as a pass from Frank, in a general muddle ten feet out from the goal. "Happy" Holmes, in front of the Victoria net, carried more horseshoes around him than are used in a whole race meet. The Maroons pelted him with shots from every angle high and low, but never a one got past him.

No Combination

Vancouver, on the other hand, missed a dozen chances to score often in front of an open goal. They lacked the combination the visiting Cougar displayed. The first period was productive of rather listless hockey, end to end rushes following in succession. Boucher and Arbor started the shooting, but Holmes' way to the Cougars' three-man rush.

In the second period Victoria had the edge on the home squad and worked their combination to good effect. Halderson was rather wild and was chased to the cooler twice during the period. The Victoria roof peppered Holmes with a series of shots, but Lady Luck was with him. They tried again with a four-man rush, but proved poorly, and when the Cougars carried the puck down the ice for the only score of the game.

In the third session both teams fought tooth and nail, but without further scoring.

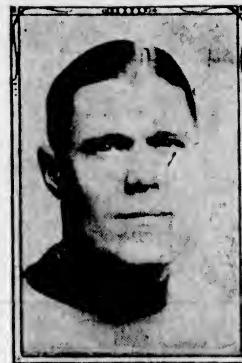
Fredrickson, for Victoria, and MacKay, for Vancouver, clearly demonstrated during the play that they still share honors for leading stick-handlers on the Coast.

Cougars Penalized

The Cougars outshone the home team in their fight to catch the game from the sidelines, receiving five penalties, while the Maroons lost a man in the first and last periods for two minutes each.

Summary

First period—No score.
Second period—1, Victoria, Fredrickson, from Fraser, 9:43.
Third period—No score.
Penalties
First period—Bostrum, Hart, Louglin.



FRANK FREDRICKSON

The flashy centre-forward of the Victoria Cougars, whose lone tally last night, spelled victory for Lester Patrick's ice dogs. He will perform here with his colleagues on Christmas Day, and will be given a great reception when he skates on the pond.

Second period—Halderson (2).
Third period—Fraser, Matte.

**Jack Reddick Will
Fight in the West**

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—Jack Reddick, middleweight and light-heavyweight champion of Canada, will stage a bout in the West early in the new year, either at Winnipeg or Moose Jaw, promoters announced tonight. His opponent has not been selected yet.

Batsone Is Captain
KINGSTON, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the Queen's University Football Club, Harry L. Batsone was elected captain of the senior team for 1925.



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His Target

TY AIMED AT CHASE—And Outwitted Him—Another Great Play.

By H. G. SALISBURY
HAI CHASE was the nearest approach to Ty Cobb the major leagues have produced. Chase was as quick and fast as Cobb. He was just as supple, just as "double-jointed." Chase had a lightning mind. He kept his bat moving, never giving time to outwit speed as quickly as Cobb. He did not think quite as fast and he did not think as deeply, but he came nearer to Cobb than any other man ever did, and he was of the same nervous type. His execution of plays was as spectacular as Cobb's, but Cobb was a born player, while Chase was a player who was compelled with Cobb as a base runner, he was a fellow type in fielding.

Several years ago Cobb was asked one day to describe his greatest play. He has been asked this a number of times and has named a number of plays, but on this occasion he named his best, and this was the play that did his best for him and Chase was probably the greatest. At least it was the one which Cobb took most pride.

Aimed at Chase

The play occurred during a Detroit-New York game in the early years of his career. At that time Chase considered the greatest player in the American League, at least in far the most spectacular. Cobb always aimed to outwit Chase, making Chase the target of his best-laid schemes because he was the highest mark he could shoot at.

In this particular game this score was close. One man was out. Crawford hit at bat and Cobb on second base in the inning where the play took place. Crawford being a "right" fielder, hit, Jimmy Austin, who was playing third base for New York, a double, and the ball was driven into the air. Chase, the New York shortstop, moved over close to second and Frank Laporte, the second baseman, had gone far to his left and taken a position back on the grass—ready to cut off a smashing grounder from Crawford's bat, standing almost parallel with the third base line. Chase had shifted to a similar manner and New York was set to take care of Crawford.

If Crawford hit to the infield the play would be made at first base, on Crawford. It hit a ball hard and he could not get to it in time to save it, so as an infield drive could be handled. The New York infield would ignore Cobb, of course. It is a baseball rule, "be sure and get one." Getting Cobb was extremely uncertain and getting Crawford was a foregone conclusion, if it hit to the infield.

He Hits to Laporte

Crawford and Laporte then chased Crawford. Cobb had started with the crack of the bat. He touched third, turned and started for the plate, just as Chase expected him to do. Chase whipped the ball across the infield, on a line to Austin, to get Cobb sliding back into the bat, but as he did so, Austin, who had found no spiked shoe trying to reach the bag, he straightened up and what he saw was the mercury-footed Cobb sliding across home plate with what proved to be the winning run.

To the spectators it appeared to be a case of a double base, running, the taking of a long chance and getting away with it. The average ball player called it "just crazy luck." But the inside workings of this play escaped players and public. Cobb treasures it because in this play he out-thought Chase, who had the second fastest mind in the game during this play.

How Cobb Figured

This play better than most of those in which Cobb created new phases, illustrate how Cobb managed to keep a step ahead of his opponents in planning. With Crawford, a slow man, at bat, and Cobb on second, Cobb knew that Chase would expect him to round the bases on a play on Crawford that could be made leisurely. Cobb always did round third in a situation of this kind and take a lead toward the plate. His quick start enabled him to do this in safety. If the play at first was perfect, Cobb could slide back to third, if the play at first included a fumble, Cobb had the scoring advantage in to cope with the situation.

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That is how Cobb figured out the play the previous evening. The situation arose and the play was made exactly as Cobb anticipated. It would be made. Knowing Chase and Austin as he did, the play would not be made otherwise. It wasn't.

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Among the findings are statements to the effect that a soft ball will feel lighter on the racquet than the hard ball; that with a given racquet action it is possible to make the ball spin to a side more than similar action will impart to a hard ball; that when the ball is driving the hard ball and the soft ball will each, after bouncing, come off the ground differently.

The council of the English Association, in accepting the committee's recommendations, voted to make a fourth requirement in the ball regulation which would define hardness or compression, with a view to containing greater regularity in performance.

FIRST INNINGS LEAD A BIG ONE

ENGLAND ELEVEN WAS ALL OUT
FOR 288

AUSTRIA HAS ADVANTAGE SO FAR IN
TEST CRICKET MATCH—SKEPPER RETIRES
THROUGH BEREAVEMENT

SYDNEY, N.S., Dec. 22.—The Australian team had too much for England's batsmen in their first innings in the opening test match, and as a result the side was retired with 298 runs, or 152 less than Australia obtained in its first innings, which closed on Saturday. Hobbs, the Surrey professional, who celebrated his forty-second birthday yesterday, was the best stand, scoring 115 runs before being caught out, with Gregory bowling. Gregory was particularly effective, taking five wickets for 11 runs.

Australia made an excellent start in its second innings, securing 61 runs for the loss of one wicket in the forty-five minutes play before stumps were drawn for the day.

Collins, the captain for Australia, retired from the match when notice of the death of his sister was received. Beresford taking over the captaincy and Ryder taking his place in the field.

The loss of Collins will be serious, as he is a heavy scorer, having secured 115 runs in the first innings.

Australia suffered another loss when Taylor had to retire owing to a slight leg injury, his place being taken by Andrewstone.

The score:

England—First Innings

Hobbs, c Kellaway, b Gregory, 115
Collins, c Richardson, b Miller, 10
Hearn, c Andrews, b Miller, 7
Woolley, b Gregory, 0
Hendren, not out, 74
Sandham, b Miller, 7
Chapman, run out, 13
Gallan, b Gregory, 0
Strudwick, b Miller, 0
Extras, 9
Total 298

Bowling analysis—Gregory, 5

wickets for 11 runs; Kellaway, 0 for

40; Miller, 4 for 129; Hendren, 0 for 54; Richardson, no wickets, no runs.

Australia—Second Innings

Barddale, b Tate, 22
Richardson, not out, 20
Kellaway, not out, 9
Total 61

Bowling analysis—Gregory, 5

wickets for 11 runs; Miller, 10 for

18; Tate, 10 for 129; Kellaway, 0 for

13; Richardson, 0 for 129; Hendren, 0 for 129.

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Kilmarnock and Raith put up an interesting struggle, but Kilmarnock got away with an easy victory.

OLD COUNTRY RUGBY

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Another crown fell on Saturday when Notts County succumbed to Newcastle United and were beaten by the champions of the First Division of the English League. Newcastle, who beat Burnley and alone at the top of the table with one point over the closely-pursuing Huddersfield, Notts County now stand third. Saturday was a day for the home teams, eight of them gathering full points, while West Bromwich and Birmingham were beaten 1-0.

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Poison Liquor Kills Thirty-Six
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Two more deaths in Bellevue Hospital today brought to thirty-six the number of alcohol fatalities here since December 1. The victims were John A. Ryan, song writer, and Nicola Flante, a laborer.

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History Repeating Itself in Craze for Crossword Puzzle

Tantalizing Educational Fad of Present Day Was Born in Early Ages—Brain Teasers, Either Literary or Mechanical Have Swept Over Earth Every Thirty or Forty Years—Records of Old Problems

WRITER PREDICTS LONG STAY IN POPULARITY

WHEN the crossword puzzle was introduced to Victoria by The Colonist a few weeks ago, it won instantaneous popularity. The crossword puzzle is advancing like a verbal avalanche upon the people of this continent. In the news columns of the newspapers in the last week the spread of the latest of intellectual diversions is everywhere proclaimed. The University of Kentucky has established a crossword course in its department of engineering. Ministers are making their congregations remember texts by displaying the verses on huge screens in the form of the newest brain twister. There are crossword tournaments and contests, and many a standard game is taking a back seat in this holiday season.

All the suburbs are thrill to the joy of the illusive square. The subscribers are forgetting their bridges, whilst for the "now" they are seeking their paths. As he fares to his urban calling, buries himself in his newspaper, pencil in hand, more intent on recalling that "kine" means cows than in anything else in the universe. No wonder that the brakemen, who once threw so many of their passengers overboard, are now lamenting over the joys of "argent d'argent," of which they now seldom see a dime. On the ferryboats are thousands who sit on the stairs intent on finding out if there is such a word as "erast" and "unleashed in passing feet." The cross word is the slogan of the day. The cross word is the slogan of the day.

In many offices the executives are beginning to worry about the urge of the prevalent pastime. The news comes from such cities as New Haven that employees of factories are threatening to quit discipline if they attempt to solve their puzzles in working hours. In every direction is the quest for information as to how this inquisition came upon us.

The hunt for the genesis of the puzzle as it is today is one of those tasks which would appeal to the Germanic mind, the mind of the habits of routine. A Teutonic journalist who has just returned from Berlin was reported last week as saying that American culture was at so low aebb that the people of the United States were doing little else but studying books of etiquette and solving cross-word puzzles. Perhaps he will start on the trail.

Editor Gives Opinion

Sam Loyd, who has made thousands of puzzles, says that he regarded it as a modification of the old word square or word form, of which he gives a few examples in his monumental cyclopedia printed ten years ago. In some form or other, this intellectual tantalizer is, according to him, at least 2,000 years old. It may even be prehistoric. The arrangement of characters or symbols or signs in a formation so that they could be understood across or vertically can be traced back for ages. The idea was revived a quarter of a century ago by a well known agricultural machinery company which used a square in Latin as its trademark, the four short words signifying.

The formation of mottoes and pious

sayings into square words, or word squares, or fanciful patterns, was a pastime which became very popular and more from the Middle Ages up to the sixteenth century. Often very clever conceits of this kind were put into Latin or French. There was a craze for this kind of composition in the eighteenth century.

The puzzle and the riddle and many forms of brain teasers which resemble the crossword puzzle were used in the French and Belgian papers many years before the coming of the present enthusiasm. The natives of Picardy claimed the rebus and acrostic as all their own, and believed that the puzzle should be associated with them. The French word "Hayoune" is linked to the rebus, and every one is willing to take up the gage. Every one of us believes, with Edgar Allan Poe, that no puzzle or cipher was ever invented by man but that another man might solve. On this theme, it will be noted, Poe said that fascinating title of "The Gold Bug," in which the treasure hunters unravel a seemingly eternally tangled cryptic record of a hidden place. Before learning was the common gift, and when such things as reading and writing were considered as the pastimes of mere shavelings, the puzzle and the riddle were the pastime of the day. For the last thousand years, however, as spelling has become more and more of a universal accomplishment, and everybody can use figures and do sums, the ancestors of the crossword puzzle have been favorites.

The most ancient form of the crossword puzzle is a brain buster, a brain baffle, a riddle, and every one is willing to take up the gage. Every one believes, with Edgar Allan Poe, that no puzzle or cipher was ever invented by man but that another man might solve.

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There was a word square which is composed of elements taken from a sentence by hanging together the end of some word with the beginning of another. This was the first word square.

"He goes (1) toward the lone beach (2) on the far distant hillside and thinks (3) how happy he should be could he buy (4) own all those broad and fertile fields."

From this statement was evolved the combination:

outside of the old guard of puzzles which always had been more or less devotees to it. Many minds were applied to the game and improvements in technique were rapid.

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Vancouver Island

Storm Works Damage On Sidney Waterfront

SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—Seldom has Sidney experienced such a storm as that of Friday and Saturday nights. The wind was ten miles and did considerable damage along the waterfront. The boathouse at Westhaven broke away from its moorings and was washed up on the beach nearby. The pier was again sunk at the wharf and a number of small boats were sunk or damaged.

AUXILIARY REVIEWS YEAR

COURTENAY, Dec. 22.—At the recent annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Anglican

Church the election of officers for the coming year was as follows: President, Mrs. H. V. Collins; vice-president, Mrs. Ringrose; secretary, Mrs. J. Carwithen; treasurer, Mrs. G. T. Cordfeld; committee, Madames Ramsay, Haymen, Tyler, Hornby and Miss Vine.

During the past year the auxiliary raised \$1,000, some of which was expended as follows: Interior finish to St. John's Church, Courtenay, \$162.50; insurance, \$112.50; diocesan fund, \$40; cleaning, \$30; Sunday school, \$19.80.

During the past year, besides the interior paneling of St. John's in Courtenay, St. Andrew's Church at Sandwick was installed with electric light, a big improvement. The cemetery, also at Sandwick, was kept in good repair.

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Fire Returns to Raze Residence at Sidney

SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—On Saturday night a house on Third Street owned by Mr. and Mrs. Carter, Victoria, but occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Louis, caught fire. Owing to the high wind it was impossible to control the flames, though the Sidney Mill fire brigade, as well as the Sidney department, turned out and fought strenuously. The house was entirely destroyed before the fire was subdued. It was entirely rebuilt, the good work done by the men that the adjoining houses were not burned also.

The fire started in the afternoon in an upper story. The Mill men turned out and with the help of the driver of the Flying Line truck Mr. Jack Moffat, extinguished the fire apparently completely. Some sparks must have remained, as the conflagration burst out again in the evening. The house and furniture were both partly covered by insurance. Some of the furniture was saved.

SANTA VISITS SCHOOL

ALBERT HEAD, Dec. 22.—A jolly Christmas tree was arranged at the Albert Head School last Friday afternoon when the parents and friends of the school children, with their teacher, enjoyed a varied programme of Christmas carols, drills, monologues and a short play in two parts. Special comment might be made of the fact that the school organ and its own accompaniment on the school organ. Two solos were rendered very creditably. Santa Claus arrived much to the joy of the younger members who, with great delight, received lovely presents from the well laden tree. Each child received a present as well as the usual Christmas goodies, and all left for home in happy frame of mind.

COLWOOD SCHOOL CONCERT

KOKSIHLAHL, Dec. 22.—The Christmas season has not been forgotten here. Four Christmas events within three days of each other absolutely none of these were held in the Indian Church, one in the Indian schoolhouse and one in the school for white children, in the village. The Indian mission is about a mile away from Koksihlah village, but the entire community, including native people and under the pastoral care of Rev. W. H. Gibson, who with his energetic and capable wife, bring much of the spirit of Christ into the homes of the people. Miss Maud Barner, who teaches in the Indian school, and Mr. James Likeman, teacher in the village school, have taken time from the children, who took a very creditable part in the entertainments.

The first was held in the village school on Wednesday night, when Mr. Likeman had charge. A good crowd braved a cold night to attend the event. On Thursday afternoon, the Indian school on the bank of the river, was a true Christmas scene, when a nicely decorated tree and a programme, given by the Indian children and friends, made a happy school-closing exercise. In this case the presents

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Ambassador Blames German Crown Prince For Starting the War

Empress and Junkers Also Played Part in Forcing Kaiser's Hands, According to M. Jules Cambon, Who Represented France in Germany Previous to Outbreak of Hostilities—More Stirring Memoirs

AMAZING INCIDENTS SAVE FRENCH CAPITAL

The second installment of extracts from the diary of Lord Bertie of Thame (1914-1918) deals with the conclusion of the Battle of the Marne, the fall of Antwerp, and the beginning of the race to the sea. The Ambassador is still at Borden, where the Government is in session. He often deals severely with us, but much that is interesting to tell as to the strange concatenation of events which saved Paris, the reasons why the Germans anticipated no Belgian resistance, and the foolishness of the French in London.

Particularly important is the account given by M. Jules Cambon, the famous French Ambassador at Berlin of the Kaiser's personal responsibility for the war.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1914.—Still anxiously awaiting the result of battle which has been going on for some days. Here they are, I think, too confident that the Germans will soon be driven far away from Paris, and even out of France altogether. I heard from Grey this morning, in which letter he says he is inclined to think that Joffre has done a great feat in bringing his army back intact to the line of Paris when he had odds against him, in being able to make his army take the offensive in so short a time after his long retreat, and in choosing the moment for that offensive when the German army in France was weakened owing to the withdrawal of German troops to the Eastern frontier. He also says that he is afraid the success of last week was too good to be continued, but it must have had a very great moral effect, and the Germans are now fifty miles farther from Paris.

September 17, 1914.—We shall have definite news of the battle in two days' time. Here there is already talk of returning to Paris.

Winston Churchill's speeches may be to the taste of his audience but in my opinion they are in very bad taste, and it was foolish to talk of "digging out the Germans like rats"; immediately afterwards they sank three of our cruisers of 12,000 tons each with their loads of live.

Lloyd George's reference to the emperor was ungracious; it would have been better to speak of him with contempt than with the kind of abuse applied to him, and not to the bear's skin before killing him.

CLOSE CALL FOR PARIS

September 29, 1914.—When the ministry took office on August 26 nothing had been done to prepare for the defense of Paris, though when consulted, said it would take at least three weeks to get the requisite big guns into position; they were sent from Cherbourg and Brest.

If the Germans had arrived at Quantilly, a little sooner they might have had to face the outer line through the lines of the outer fort, these would have been nothing to stop them.

What has prevented the catastrophe is a combination of extraordinary events: The Germans invaded Belgium, which the French did not expect. The Belgians resisted. Instead of only protesting, we the Germans hoped and expected. We took action which surprised the Germans; they thought that as the Belgians would only protest we would do the same. Then there were personal qualities of resolution and the stoical courage and discipline of our troops, which gave encouragement to the French, and our stand against the German onslaught notwithstanding the exhaustion of our men and the reduction of our forces by death, wounds, and prisoners taken by the Germans. The French who had had a terrible defeat at Charleroi before our troops



THE EX-CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY, blamed by Jules Cambon for starting the war.



THE EX-KAISER, THE KAISERIN AND PRINCESS
From a photograph taken shortly before the war.

so as to put a real end to militarism. Her two big allies cannot make peace without her concurrence.

October 11, 1914.—Antwerp has fallen, and they can be said to be the first to do so. The circumstances of the fall might have been worse; the Belgian army might have been shut in, and have had to surrender, and our marines and sailors might all have fallen into the hands of the Germans.

Our plan of campaign will have to be revised. A good many French generals have been removed from their command.

I hope that the King of Rumania's death may alter the attitude of the Government in that country; I rather doubt it unless Italy moves against Austria, but she waits to see which side will make the better offer. The Italian leaders themselves seem to be much in favor of the Allies, and I hope Rumania will be destined to be the great Mediterranean power and the successors of Tunis, Malta, Egypt, and the Turkish Islands.

Blockade Was Difficult

October 16, 1914.—I have had a most interesting conversation with the official military economist adviser of the War Office here; he says that manufacturing Italy is going to be very useful in Germany, and that there is food enough in the country, and in Austria-Hungary, to last seven months and that, as we allow much materials and foodstuffs to reach Germany through neutral states, there will be no means but military intervention to prevent us from doing so.

I asked Cambon whether the Emperor was personally responsible for the war or whether he had been forced into it by the Crown Prince and the military party, and what part the German Empress had played in the game. He said that the Emperor had taken the son's part, that the Emperor had become very jealous of his son's popularity with the army and the people as the apostle of extreme anti-French, anti-Russian, and particularly anti-British feelings.

He says that we ought to declare a blockade of Germany to endow her with a neutral status, as Napoleon had tried to establish against us a continental blockade but failed, whereas we, by our sea board, ought to succeed. The imports of all things into Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland have very greatly increased, also their exports to Germany—horses, iron, nickel, copper, petroleum, oil, foodstuffs, and etc.

We cannot declare a blockade of the German Baltic ports as we cannot get into that sea, and if we did we might not be able to get out again. We should have to declare a blockade of Norway, including Sweden and Denmark, and of Holland, as well as the German sea ports, be impossible.

London Declaration Bar

The object of starving Germany, might perhaps be effected by understandings with those neutral states that they should prohibit the export from their territories of the articles we object to Germany receiving.

They would probably refuse and even if they accepted, the United States Government, the only Government which would count, might claim that the declaration of London (1909)—which at the outbreak of war we said we would observe in principle—was due to the theory of continuous voyage, and that we have no right therefore to enquire what may be the ultimate destination of goods consigned to a neutral port in neutral ships. The only mode of possibly getting around the difficulty would be to squash the United States Government by armament, but our cargoes which would increase the neutral supply above its average receipt of such goods; I doubt this system being practical.

The economist claimed that, as Germany had broken all engagements standing around the world, he was very politely saluted by a German staff officer: "We were surprised, and showed it." The officer then took off his cap and said: "Don't you remember me? I was an employee at your hotel." The millionaire then re-called him.

Muske Sound Peace

October 9, 1914.—It Joffre became victorious and succeeded in obtaining Alsace-Lorraine for France, he may do anything he may please—ever be it of combination of Month and King. Cambon, who is at Charleroi, King level-headed people seem to think that the result of the war will be a sweeping away of the present government clique; it would be a sort of "coup d'état" approved by a majority of the nation.

Some fear that the French may think that war before Germany, and the Hohenzollern Prussian military system has been annihilated, and that a rotten peace may be patched up; on this point England must be firm and insist on a fight to the finish.

This Gift



"The Doctor" —On the Links

IT SEEMS that people who play golf worse enjoy it the most. Once a golfer, always a golfer. Even "the abominable rapture of the up-swing" as James Douglas' once so aptly put it, does not deter your sportsman from his unequal struggle with the little white ball.

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And Ointment
To Heal Sore Hands

October 20, 1914.—What hamper us dreadfully is that foolish declaration of London, which the House of Lords wisely rejected, and which was adopted in the House of Commons, and which is driving us to this present war; it prevents us from controlling the importation through neutral states to Germany of articles which will enable her to continue the struggle much longer than if there had been no such declaration, and may have very serious results for us. It is one of the United States, we may see fine opportunities for driving a roaring trade with Germany, that prevents us from asserting ourselves.

We would snap our fingers at the other states such as Italy, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Holland.

October 24, 1914.—Jules Cambon has been to see me. He told me some interesting things; that there is great discontent in the country at large in the ineptitude and want of preparation for war of successive Governments owing to what is called "la cuisine politique."

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Because it is the newest, handiest, most coveted of gifts, it seems that the shopping world has turned to the Parker Duofold Duette as if by official edict from Santa Claus.

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CIVIL SERVICE IS SPURNED BY CITY

CITY COUNCIL KILLS MUCH DEBATED MEASURE

Alderman Todd Uses Stratagem to Annul Measure, Alderman Merchant Charges

The proposed civil service by-law was killed by the City Council last night—by a ruse, Ald. Merchant declared.

After the by-law had been introduced into the council and given its second reading, Ald. Todd moved that it be referred to a subcommittee. A moment later he reported that of Ald. Kee to the effect that the council resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider it.

Hardy had the Mayor declared Ald. Kee's motion carried when Ald. Todd submitted:

"I move we ruse."

The motion was seconded as quickly. Whereupon Ald. Merchant, sponsor of the by-law, jumped to his feet.

"That was simply a ruse to kill it—by rising without reporting on it," he declared wrathfully.

"A ruse?" Ald. Todd queried playfully.

"Yes—a ruse. I am as familiar with points of order as you are," Alderman Merchant thundered. "And I shall be ashamed of the gentlemen who vote for it."

When the motion was put, Aldermen Kee, Ara, Ker, Andrew, Todd and Hangeron voted for it, and Alder-men Merchant, Dewar and Harvey voted against it.

After the Council meeting had been adjourned, a moment later, Alderman Merchant declared that he would bring up the by-law yet again, while Mayor Hayward and City Clerk, Bradley hastened to peruse a manual of procedure to discover whether the measure would be held in abeyance for another year. Neither would vouchsafe a final opinion after searching carefully through the by-laws.

The matter again, at the beginning of the meeting, when the special committee's report was considered. This recommended the appointment of a commissioner to make

a survey of the civic service at an expected cost of \$500.

Alderman Todd strenuously opposed the recommendation on the score of economy. It meant the expenditure of more money, he declared, and an increase in taxation.

Ald. Todd denied that the proposed measure would increase efficiency. The civil service, he said, had increased more than the staff either of the Federal or of the Provincial Governments. It was well known that in the past ten years the staff at the Parliament Buildings had been increased enormously, while the staff at the City Hall had been correspondingly diminished.

Ald. Todd's motion that the committee's report be received and filed was passed by the Council.

DOMINION MEAT TO SUPPLANT FOREIGN

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R. Hassan, resident representative of the Australian Meat Council, to have Australia take from South America the position of chief meat-producing country of the world, together with many other schemes having the aim to attain Mr. Baldwin's desire to give to the Dominions preference without imposing direct taxes, have been under consideration by the Cabinet and the Board of Trade.

But, so far as is known, no decision has been reached. The same idea had been suggested to the late MacDonald Government, and had been under consideration by former Colonial Minister Thomas, and it may be taken for granted that consideration will be given to it again by the new Government, which is easier to stimulate its meat exports. Premier Baldwin, in his recent outline of the Government's intentions for reversing the policy of the MacDonald Government, indicated that meat and fruits would have primary attention from his Government.

To Stimulate Dominion Exports

He suggested that \$1,000,000 annually would be devoted to stimulating Dominion exports to England

in lieu of the preference the Dominions would have received through the preference taxes Mr. Baldwin's previous administration had intended

to impose at the behest of the last Imperial Conference.

There are many weighty matters requiring consideration before such a plan as that of Mr. Hassan could be adopted. In the first place, it could not be adopted without the support of legislation, and although Mr. Baldwin, with his present big majority in the Commons, certainly could carry such a measure, it nevertheless would mean great opposition in Parliament.

Value of Argentine Exports

Then there has to be considered the fact that Argentina sends meat to the value of about \$5,000,000 annually to England. This extensive importation of meat from Argentina is largely due to the exports of Argentina, and the moment when the coming visit of the Prince of Wales to Argentina turns the minds of both countries to further fostering of reciprocal trade, it hardly seems the ideal time, in the opinion of some observers, to propose a plan which would so injuriously affect Argentine interests.

GERMANY OPENS ARMS PROBLEM

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actions inaugurated when Germany dispatched her first communications on the same subject direct to all the powers having seats in the council.

Dr. Stroesmann, however, is saying that the German Government is of the opinion that political developments during the last year have rendered it possible for Germany to join the League. He then gave an outline of the first note to the powers, expressing the object of Germany to ascertain the attitude of the powers with regard to Germany's becoming a member of the League council and also with reference to Germany's participation in sanctions provided for article sixteen of the covenant.

Desire Favorably Considered

The Foreign Minister remarked that the reply received justified the conclusion that Germany's wish to join the League in the coming year was being favorably considered, but that the replies concerning the operation of article sixteen of the covenant had not yet led to a satisfactory conclusion.

Germany was desirous of finding a way out of the difficulty which, in account of her peculiar territorial situation, she might become involved by the application of this article.

Dr. Stroesmann declared in the note that Germany's apprehensions seemed to be not sufficiently appreciated by the powers; hence Germany had to offer a solution to the League itself in the hope that the League would arrange informal discussion of the subject.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The supreme interallied military commission met today, with Marshal Foch presiding. It took note of the latest fortnightly report made to it by the Inter-Allied Control Mission and then drafted resolutions for transmission to the Council of Ambassadors.

No communication was issued after the meeting, but it is understood Germany is considered as not yet having entirely fulfilled all the clauses for disarming laid down in the Treaty of Versailles.

The chances of Cologne being evacuated by the Allies on January 10 under the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles have been further diminished. It is thought in French official circles, by the regular semi-monthly reports of the Inter-Allied Control Mission in Germany. This report, which is now in the hands of the Allied War Committee, in its conclusions, confirm the special reports in their charge that Germany was persisting in arming, contrary to the peace treaty provision.

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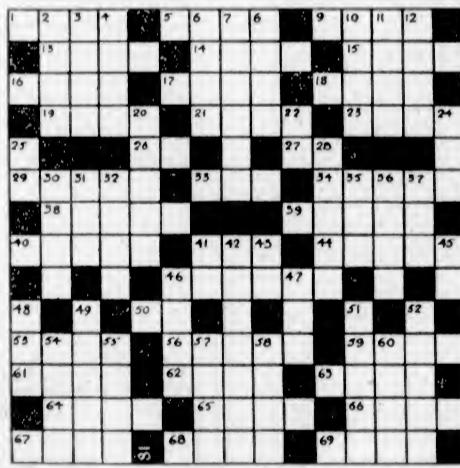
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Colonist Crossword Puzzle



Crossword Puzzle No. 28

How to Solve the Puzzle

Each number in the diagram indicates the beginning of a word, reading either vertically or horizontally. The same number in some cases begins both a vertical and a horizontal word. The definitions with numbers showing where to start the words in the diagram. To see how many letters each word has, count the white space until you come to a black square. If you have put in the correct words, they should all agree, horizontally and vertically, with the definitions, and you have solved the puzzle correctly.

Key to Crossword Puzzle No. 28

Horizontal

1. Ruler.	44. Used to drain	89. Belonging to the
2. Before.	45. Grandmother	90. Daily.
3. Friend.	46. Grandmother	91. Before.
4. Scotch garment.	47. Grandmother	92. Holy Orders.
5. Head garment.	48. Grandmother	93. In place of.
6. Closed.	49. Prepare for publication.	94. In the form of.
7. Opposite to some.	50. Relative.	95. A person's father.
8. A heavenly body.	51. Heavenly.	96. To lose after.
9. A relative.	52. Heaven.	97. To increase.
10. Poverty.	53. Referring to one's connection.	98. A kingdom.
11. Pox.	54. Shoving speed.	99. Detained by force.
12. In the year of our Lord (ab.)	55. Father.	
13. Lord.	56. Expression of feeling (slang).	
14. Part of a Turk's household.	57. A wind instrument.	
15. Pillar.	58. Relative to sing.	
16. In the middle of.	59. Shakespeare.	
17. A relative.	60. One who helps.	
18. A relative.	61. Swirling water.	
19. A Canadian railway (ab.)	62. A doggy expression.	
20. Pains.	63. Ladies.	
21. A Canadian railway (ab.)	64. Conjunction.	
22. One's secret.	65. Be quiet.	
23. Clothes the judge.	66. Beggar's purse.	
24. One's secret.	67. River in South Africa.	
25. Clothes the judge.	68. River in South Africa.	
26. One's secret.	69. Beggar's purse.	
27. Clothes the judge.	70. River in South Africa.	
28. One's secret.	71. Irish Regiment (ab.)	
29. Clothes the judge.	72. Amy.	
30. Clothes the judge.	73. Dot.	

Answer to Puzzle No. 27

Christmas Messages Are Delivered at Churches

Big Congregations Listen to Appeals for Remembrance of Significance of Anniversary—Season Offers Opportunity to Make Personal Contact With Christ, Dr. Simprell Declares—“Is It Right to Think of One's Own Peace in World Full of Distress?” Asks Dean

Frost Creates New Record in Closing St. Lawrence River

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Constituting what is believed to be an unprecedented record, the St. Lawrence River was this morning reported to be solidly frozen from Montreal to Three Rivers. This has never occurred in the month of December before, it was pointed out by local officials.

your enemies. Any other standard was outside the concepts of Christianity. The church must face the issue that Christ came to bring peace and not war between the nations.

Church Repentant

The church stood for a false principle during the Just war, and the church today is repentant for its stand," stated Rev. W. P. Freeman in the "Peace Message" which he delivered at the First Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Mr. Freeman told the congregation that the church would have to choose between war and Jesus. The church could not have both. The church would not stand another world war. In fact, if another war came, the church took the stand which she had taken in the First World War, viz., that "this was a war to kill with," in which principle she sent her boys away in the expectation that they were fighting in a war which would end war, then "the church would have to go out of business" and begin all over again.

"We preached the biggest lie that was ever perpetrated: that hell would be shut out of the world. And what had he done? He had given to mankind the loftiest conception of God: He had given the world an ethical ideal which had as much force as any other ideal had ever had. The church would not stand another world war, and the church stood for it, and the church today is repentant," said the preacher. The only standard the church could permit herself to take was the standard of Christ: Love because of what Christ meant to the world.



for the practice of these ethics. Even historical time dated from the Birth of Jesus: things happened "Before Christ" or "After Christ." Jesus had given a demonstration of truth in spiritual things. Confucius and Buddha were both losing their hold; only the religion of Jesus could save the world, and today more of mankind than ever before had given themselves to this faith.

"I think that Jesus' life is absolutely unique. And knowing what He has done, I can believe in the resurrection, and believing in that, I can believe in His supernatural birth," said Dr. Freeman, who dealt in his evening address at greater length with the question of the "Virgin Birth."

At First Presbyterian Church, St. Andrews', St. John's, the Emmanuel Baptist Church, as well as the outlying churches of the city, Christmas messages were given for big congregations.

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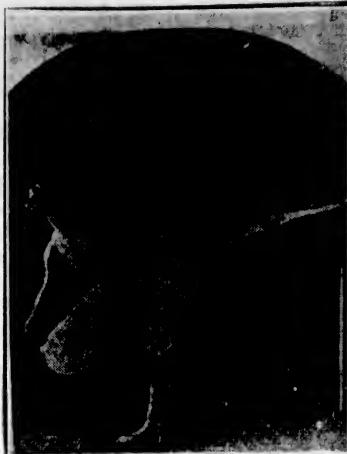
Is now on Apex Record 679. It is one of the greatest comedy songs of recent times and is admirably sung by Fred Thomas. This is a record that will make a most acceptable gift.

DANCE RECORDS

The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Two schooners met the same fate within a short distance of each other at Nantucket, Mass., recently during a heavy fog, which endangered shipping. The Ralph and Evelyn is shown being pounded to pieces



Mlle. Jennie Lucas, 18-year-old toe dancer of the Paris Opera, won the competition that each year decides which is the company's premiere ballerina. She will henceforth be given feature parts



Sold for \$48 before he was born, Robert Milton Burton of Cleveland has been restored to his parents by court order. The mother and father said that they had no money to pay for Robert's arrival and arranged with a wealthy woman of the city to give her the baby in adoption for the needed sum



After hearing testimony for over eight hours, Judge Munoz Gambo in a Mexican court sentenced Alejo Garcia and Francisco Ruiz to face the firing squad for the recent murder of Mrs. Rosalie Evans, English widow



A bullock was roasted in the market place of Aylesbury, England, during the celebration of the return of Sir A. Burgoine as M.P. Mr. F. Taylor, who has already cooked eighty bulls all over the country, officiated



Mrs. Julia O. Lombard, prominent New York woman, has given up her social activities and is now in the White Mountains, New Hampshire, training a crossed Eskimo and German police dog for racing purposes. She is shown with a litter of new racing pups



Mme. Violette Norris, world's champion javelin thrower, who took part in the last Olympic meet, shows her prowess at a recent athletic contest near Paris



Lucie Stern, eleven-year-old musical marvel, who has been hailed as "the wonderchild of Europe," is to visit this country shortly. At the age of two she could point out mistakes made by older students



Jack Dempsey has signed a contract with Estelle Taylor, movie star, whereby he will act as her business manager in the future. Matrimonial rumors have been flying fast and soon Jack may be signing a contract for life



Here is a characteristic pose of the hunting dog when he gets the scent. Whether it is riding to hounds or following them on foot, the chase is royal sport, and the keen tang of winter only lends it a thrill



Miss Natalie Hammond, pretty debutante of Washington, D.C., claims that girls nowadays are qualified to pick out their own mates, and her ideal is the mental caveman. This is all in objection to an article that says that mothers should pick their daughters' husbands



Occupying his leisure hours in building an ice cutter, simply because winter and some old machinery are at hand, S. C. Kilpatrick of Bredenbury, Sask., found a satisfactory living in selling ice. He handles about 1,500 tons every winter



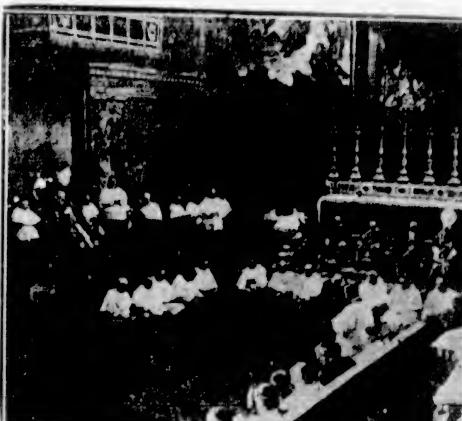
Here is an exclusive photograph of John Drinkwater and his fiancee, Miss Daisy Kennedy, well-known Australian violinist, whose engagement has just been announced. Mr. Drinkwater is world famous for his biographies



The deep snow has no worry for Mr. Holladay, a car dealer of Chesley, Ontario, who has substituted ordinary sleigh runners for the two front wheels of his car



Becoming seriously ill in Mexico City where he went to attend the inauguration of President Calles, Samuel Gompers, for a long time head of the American Federation of Labor, was rushed to San Antonio, Texas, where he died the other day



Pope Pius XI. officiated at the services in the Sistine Chapel of the Vatican for the repose of the soul of the late Cardinal Logue, Roman Catholic primate of all Ireland, who died recently in Dublin





Negotiations Started Again for "535" Liners

Fleet Operated by Admiral Oriental Line and Pacific Mail Line Once Again Under Discussion—Pacific Mail Wants to Purchase Fleet Operated by Them, While Dollar Company Wants to Buy Entire Ten President Liners Operating to Orient

NEGOTIATIONS for the purchase by private corporations of the United States Shipping Board liners, now operating between Victoria, San Francisco, to the Orient, by managing agents, will be of absorbing interest to shippers here and all along the coast after the first of the year, according to present indications.

Most noted among the pending entries in this connection is the rumored competition of the Dollar Line and the Pacific Mail Line for the purchase of ten \$35-type President liners that operate between Seattle, Victoria and the Orient, and San Francisco and the Orient. Five of these liners are now operating between Victoria and the Orient, and President Jackson, McKinley, Madison, Jefferson and Grant.

Five of the ten liners, namely the Presidents Lincoln, Cleveland, Taft, Pierce and Wilson, are now operated by the Pacific Mail Line out of San Francisco. It is an open secret in shipping circles that the Pacific Mail is conducting negotiations for the purchase of these vessels, and also hope to purchase the five liners operated by the Admiral Oriental Line out of Seattle and Victoria.

Within the last ten days telegraphic advices have been received by shipping interests to the effect

that the Shipping Board is desirous of disposing of its steamship lines and is believed here that competition between private operators for the purchase of the Mail fleet and the Admiral Oriental fleet, as well as several of the freight lines operating from Pacific Coast ports, will be spirited.

Several months ago the Dollar interest negotiated with the Shipping Board for the purchase both of the Admiral Oriental Liner fleet and the vessels operated by the Pacific Mail Company. Negotiations were dropped for a time, but for the past several weeks Captain Henry Gleason, assistant general manager of the Pacific Mail Company, has been here, and it is now reported that the object of his visit is to purchase for his company the tonnage now operated between San Francisco and the Orient.

Stanley Dollar, who is now completing a tour that has taken him around the world, has arrived in New York, and it is believed likely that he will confer with Shipping Board officials and renew his offer for the purchase, not only of the steamers operated by the Mail Company but also those operated by the Admiral Oriental Line, of which he is president.

On her second trip in the Royal Mail Steam Packet's United Kingdom service, local officials announce that the new motorship Loch Monar will dock at Victoria the early part of January.

On her maiden voyage to this Coast she was to have called at Victoria to discharge 150 tons of cargo, but owing to the time of her arrival at William Head, she passed up to Vancouver direct to save time, thus disappointing those who had looked forward to inspecting this new large Diesel-engine liner.

The Loch Monar, however, has sufficient cargo this time to justify her calling at Victoria. Included in the cargo are several consignments of mackinlay for the new drydock pump house at Skinner's Cove.

Findlay, Durham & Brodie also announced that in the future the

east gale is blowing off the coast of Vancouver Island and the Empress of Australia has been caught right in the storm centre. She is ploughing her way through mountainous seas and bucking into strong headwinds that has reduced her speed considerably.

There are approximately 300 passengers on board the liner and a heavy cargo of New York commodities including another rich silk cargo. This liner is the last of the C.P.R. transpacific ships due from the Far East this year and a lot depends on the size of her silk cargo as to whether the Canadian Pacific will head the list for silk carrying honors from Japan. The O.S.K. is a close runner-up for the honors.

AUSTRALIA CAUGHT IN FIERCE STORM

WILL BE DELAYED 24 HOURS, ARRIVING CHRISTMAS DAY

Seventy-Mile-an-Hour Gale Blowing Off Coast—Liners Bringing Approximately 300 Passengers

Experiencing one of the fiercest gales that has ever blown off the coast, the Canadian Pacific Empress of Australia, Captain A. J. Hallay commanding, will not dock at Victoria until Christmas morning, is the

New R.M.S.P. Motorship Is Coming Here



MS. LOCH MONAR

Latest advice received by the local agents.

It was at first thought that she would make quarantine at 6 o'clock Wednesday night, which even then would have been ten hours late, but if she does not dock at Christmas morning, this will place her twenty-four hours behind schedule.

A fierce 70-mile-an-hour north-

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Search for Young Verigin

NELSON, B.C., Dec. 22.—Two weeks ago the Dukhobors were to be sent to Russia to find out what was happening to Peter Verigin, Jr., just elected king of the Dukhobors in succession to his father, is stated by J. A. M. Patrik, of Yorkton, Sask., counsel of the Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood.

The primitive Indians of North America made muffins from acorn meal.

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